

## 25% Boost In War Pensions Voted By M.P.'s

OTTAWA (CP)—The Commons committee on veterans' affairs voted unanimously today to recommend a 25 per cent increase in war pensions after a prominent Liberal member had said there were "good prospects" it would be granted by the government.

Earlier, by votes of 16 to 15, the committee had defeated Opposition motions for a 33 1/3 per cent increase and for a 25 per cent hoist plus a cost of living bonus.

### BASIS NOW \$75

The motions were made on a bill that includes a government proposal to raise pensions for war disabled and widows by 15 per cent and those of dependents by 20.

The basic pension for a 100 per cent single disabled veteran now is \$75 a month.

Veterans Minister Gregg, one of 35 members of the committee, voted against the first two motions, but abstained on the third. The 25 per cent request originally came from the Canadian Legion.

The government came through the first two votes because of the aid of H. W. Herridge, People's C.C.F., Kootenay West, the man who moved for the 25 per cent hoist.

Mr. Herridge and 15 Liberals defeated an otherwise combined opposition on the 33 1/3 per cent motion, moved by Col. A. J. Brooks, P.C., Royal, N.B.

### CHAIRMAN VOTED

His defeat was followed by a new amendment, moved by T. J. Bentley, C.C.F., Swift Current, Sask., which offered a 25 per cent increase plus a cost-of-living bonus of \$1 for every full point the index rose above 143. That would give \$100 on the basis of today's 150.8 index level.

When George Cluckshank, Lib., Fraser Valley, did not vote because he couldn't understand it, the vote ended 15 to 15, and chairman Maj. Leslie Mutch, Lib., Winnipeg South, had to cast the deciding vote.

The unanimous recommendation for 25 per cent closed one phase of the committee's study on the pensions bill, but there are others that are likely to delay the increase for some time.

## Pearson Congratulated As Scheme Approved

The Legislature today gave third and final reading to the compulsory health insurance legislation, marking the occasion with felicitations and congratulations to Health and Welfare Minister George S. Pearson who today celebrated his 68th birthday.

Premier Johnson said he wished to pay his respects and compliments to Mr. Pearson, who had fathered the legislation and he noted that while it was not possible to name an act after a person, if any act could be so named, this legislation should be called the George Pearson Act.

The Premier expressed hope that Mr. Pearson would be spared many years to administer the act.

## Price Probers Want Details Of \$900,000 Profit By Swifts Ltd.

OTTAWA (CP)—The special prices committee of the Commons today directed officials of the Swift Canadian Co. Ltd. to obtain fuller information on a \$900,000 profit made on meat last November.

The Swift officials, led by president A. E. Millard, agreed the profit was abnormal. They were unable to break it down or say how much had arisen from beef. Committee members, investigating the company's operations since price de-control, then suggested the examination should be suspended until Mr. Millard and his officials obtained the information.

Their examination, however, continued until the end of the morning session and the committee prepared to continue further before it was suspended indefinitely.

"There is no reflection on Mr. Millard," committee counsel Mr. A. Dyde said, explaining the com-

## \$1,000,000 Fire Sweeps Lumber Yard



Smoke towers above Cilco Terminal Lumber Yard at Bridgeport, Conn., as blaze sweeps the industrial area. Damage to lumber, stores and prefabricated houses is estimated at more than a million dollars.

## Trades Council Approves New Dominion Labor Code

OTTAWA (CP)—The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada today signified approval of the federal government's proposed labor code.

The T.L.C., in a letter from President Percy Bengough, told the Commons industrial relations committee that it was prepared to accept the measure as going a long way towards providing "peace and stability" in industrial relations.

The committee heard from the Congress as it opened consideration of the measure, which has received second reading in the Commons.

Mr. Bengough said the current dispute between the Canadian Seamen's Union (T.L.C.) and a number of steamship companies indicated the need for such a code, and he urged its passage be expedited.

Labor Minister Mitchell also urged the measure be dealt with as quickly as possible, declaring it was essential the bill be placed on the statute books this year.

A letter from Norman S. Dowd,

executive secretary of the Canadian Congress of Labor, indicated, however, that the C.C.L. was not entirely satisfied with the code in its present form.

He said the congress wanted to present "special representations" on the measure.

### ORAL ARGUMENTS

The committee got into a debate on the question of whether oral representations should be allowed on the bill, which is substantially the same as a measure thrashed out in committee last year.

At that time, the bill was dropped before passage. A. I. Smith, P.C., Calgary West, moved that no oral representations be allowed, but he ran into objections from C.C.F. members.

The Labor Minister said that if the committee was to go over the same ground as last year, the bill would not be in shape for passage by the end of June.

Eventually, Mr. Smith's motion was carried.

## Probable Murder Charge Awaits 2 Kingston Convicts

KINGSTON, Ont. (CP)—Recaptured at gun point just four hours after a daring escape from the Kingston penitentiary, Howard Urquhart and Austin Craft likely will face a murder charge for the killing of a prison messenger.

A new version of the actual break and shooting came today. First reports said the messenger, John Kennedy, was shot three times while driving his car from the prison and that the body was then dumped from the car.

The later version related that Kennedy got out of the car and was walking toward the store-room on the right when one of the convicts, reported to be Craft, fired one shot at him. The bullet struck Kennedy below the left arm, penetrating his heart.

The first killing in a prison break in the penitentiary's history, it was followed Monday by the largest "shoot-to-kill" manhunt in years. A 100-man posse ringed the area and brought the gun-wielding desperadoes to bay in dense brush near Sydenham, 15 miles northeast. They surrendered without resistance.

Monday night Maj. Gen. R. S. Gibson, commissioner of penitentiaries, said at Ottawa that both Urquhart, 21, and Craft, 40, probably would face a charge of murdering John Kennedy, 59-year-old penitentiary employee. He believed both would be tried, although only one, Craft, is reported as having shot the messenger.

It was the second major break in less than a year at the heavily guarded prison. Last August Donald (Mickey) McDonald, Ulysses Lauzon and Nicholas Minnelli saved their way to freedom and have not been recaptured.

Urquhart was serving a penitentiary term of 20 years on a manslaughter charge following the slaying of Meyer Tobias, Toronto merchant. Craft, from Brantford, Ont., was serving 10 years on a Hamilton bank robbery conviction.

## Plan Peace Talk In Boeing Strike

SEATTLE (AP)—Boeing officials were scheduled to sit down this afternoon with five top union leaders in an effort to end a six-day strike by 15,000 Seattle aircraft workers.

The conference will be the first in which company negotiators have faced union representatives since the shop and field employees walked off their jobs last Thursday.

The five-man committee will act for the executive board of the International Association of Machinists (I.A.M.), parent organization of the Aeronautical Mechanics Union, local 451, which called the strike.

Boeing contends that the strike, ordered by the local in support of demands for a 30-cent-an-hour wage increase and eight paid holidays, was in violation of an existing contract and the National Labor Relations Act.

# Britain Will Resist Invasion Of Palestine

## Reds Asked To Tell Why German Police Chief Fled

BERLIN (AP)—U.S. authorities said today the Russians will be asked to explain circumstances which Berlin's commander of German police says cause him to flee to the city's western sector.

The chief, Hans Kanig, told the Americans he ran away from the Soviet sector while being questioned. He said the Russians wanted to arrest him because he had ordered a policeman disciplined after the policeman had lured a German citizen into the Russian sector to be kidnapped.

William F. Babcock, United States deputy commandant in Berlin, said that if Kanig's story is true the Russians are violating a four-power agreement which says that a German official with city-wide power can be arrested only on orders of the four-power Allied Kommandantura. He said the Russians will be told Kanig's story and asked to explain.

Kanig, who commands 11,000 uniformed police, was quoted as saying he ran away because he did not want to disappear like his predecessor, an officer named Heinrich. Heinrich was arrested by the Russians in August, 1945, and has not been heard from since.

## LATEST

### Government Wins

OTTAWA (CP)—The Commons this afternoon voted 110 to 78 against a motion of non-confidence in the government.

### Invasion Denied

CAIRO—Egyptian government sources denied a report from Arab sources today that an Egyptian armored division had crossed into southern Palestine.

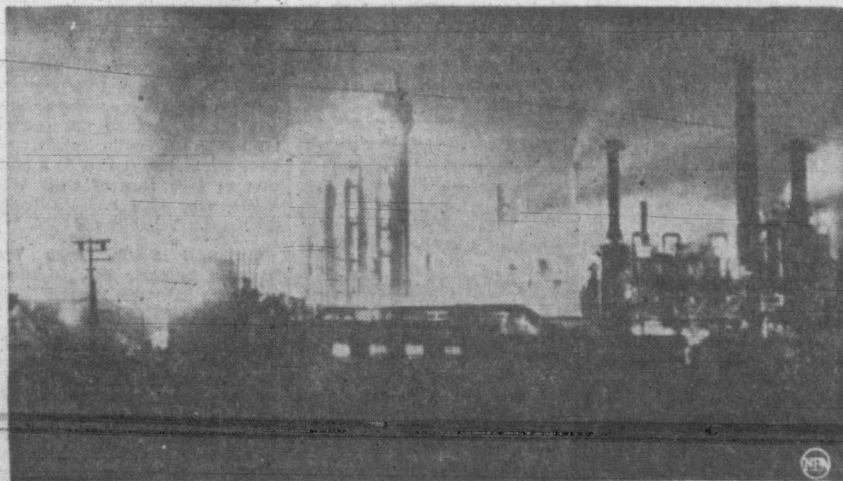
### U.B.C. Fees Jump

VANCOUVER (CP)—An increase of \$10 in first term and \$15 in second term sessional fees was announced today at the University of British Columbia. President N. A. M. Mackenzie said the move was necessitated by the rising costs of education.

### 3,000 Immigrants Due

HALIFAX (CP)—More than 3,000 immigrants will arrive here aboard four ships before the end of May, Canadian immigration officials reported today. First will be the Greek ship Nea Hellas, arriving Friday with 649 displaced persons from Europe.

## Blast Rips Through Southern California Oil Refinery



Explosion and fire destroyed a cracking tank at the huge Standard Oil refinery at El Segundo, Calif. The blast was heard 18 miles away. Twenty persons were treated for burns. Fire-fighting equipment from adjoining beach towns kept the blaze from spreading to hundreds of surrounding butane tanks in the area.

### Margarine Returns



Governor Alfred E. Driscoll signs a bill passed by the New Jersey Legislature which makes that the first state in the U.S. to repeal laws prohibiting manufacture and sale of yellow-colored oleomargarine.

## Empress Hotel Employees Under B.C. Work Act

OTTAWA (CP)—The Supreme Court of Canada in a judgment today upheld the contention of British Columbia that jurisdiction over the working hours of employees of the Empress Hotel in Victoria was a matter for provincial and not federal authority.

The case revolved around the application of the B.C. Hours of Work Act to hotel workers in the Empress, operated by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The act provides that workmen may not work more than eight hours in a day or more than 44 hours a week.

The C.P.R. whose appeal was dismissed today, held the act did not apply to its hotel workers since they were railway workers and came under federal jurisdiction.

In the first reference to the Court of Appeal for British Columbia, the B.C. Attorney-General contended the Hours of Work Act was valid as it applied to the hotel workers and the province won its case. The Attorney-General of Canada intervened in the case and argued that the employees in question were under the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal government.

Today's judgment, affirming the B.C. Appeal Court ruling was unanimous.

### Breach Of Promise Action Dismissed

LONDON (AP)—A high court jury today denied Mrs. Imelda Price's claim for damages against Ernest Griffin, United States vice-consul, in a breach of promise suit.

Costs were assessed against Mrs. Price. The jury was out 80 minutes.

## Jewish Agency Appeals To U.N. For Protection

LONDON (AP)—The Foreign Office said today Britain will resist any Arab "incursions" into Palestine before she lays down her mandate over the Holy Land May 15.

"That remains our intention," a spokesman said in response to questions concerning Britain's position in the event Trans-Jordan's warrior monarch, King Abdullah, should carry out his reported intent to seize control of Palestine immediately.

The spokesman said, however, that the Foreign Office had received no official reports that Arab troops actually had been moved into Palestine.

In response to other questions, he said Britain's forces "obviously" were limited in size for the job of patrolling the Holy Land borders.

He was unable to confirm reports that Arab troops had taken Jericho.

Later at a press conference, the Foreign Office spokesman said a copy of the note sent by Abdullah to Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, British High Commissioner in Palestine, had been received. The spokesman declined tentatively to disclose its contents.

Nor would he discuss the status of Trans-Jordan's Arab Legion, a desert fighting force of 15,000 strong which is financed and armed by Britain. He said several questions on the Legion's position in the Arab-Jewish strife had been set down for discussion in the House of Commons tomorrow.

## Arabs Say Egyptian Armored Division Crosses Into Holy Land

JERUSALEM (AP)—A reliable Arab source said: troops of an Egyptian armored division had crossed Palestine's southern frontier at dawn today.

The report came on the heels of a Damascus report that a Trans-Jordan Arab Legion had occupied the town of Jericho and was moving into the Dead Sea valley of Palestine.

This was discounted here since Legion security forces are on loan to the British authorities under both the old and new British-Trans-Jordan treaties. Reports that Haifa is being shelled from Acre, across the bay, were unconfirmed.

An official British army spokesman in Jerusalem said one company of the Arab Legion "under British army orders" had entered Jericho on specific duties.

### WILL BE WITHDRAWN

"When their duties are finished," he said, "they will be withdrawn."

A Palestine government spokesman said that "any Trans-Jordan troops now in Palestine are under command of the British general officer commanding and their conduct is not in question. We have not heard of any declaration of war and consider

any such declaration as extremely unlikely."

A Jewish Agency spokesman told reporters Jews had learned that Monday night the Trans-Jordan Parliament agreed to King Abdullah's demand to send troops into Palestine and ordered a general mobilization.

Armies of the four Arab states which encircle Palestine are reported ready to invade the Holy Land before the week ends.

The reports said the forces of Trans-Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Egypt will launch the thrust in defiance of the British mandate, not scheduled to end until May 15, and of the United Nations' Security Council, which has ordered a cease-fire in Palestine.

Two Britons were killed in Jerusalem today, as tension increased over the threatened invasion.

The report said the men had taken to the ice and another sealer, the Wimoda, which had been working nearby, was headed to the rescue. Weather conditions in the area were reported as fairly good, with clear visibility.

The Conrad is a Newfoundland vessel. It was said to have been caught in ice off the bleak Labrador coastline opposite the northernmost tip of Newfoundland.

## Ban May Day Show

MONTREAL (CP)—Assistant Police Director Alfred Belanger said today any request to hold May Day parades or demonstrations in Montreal will be turned down by police and sufficient men will be held in reserve to disband any illegal assembly. "We can take it that any organization wanting to parade or demonstrate on May Day has leftist tendencies—if not straight Communist," said Belanger.



## City's 1948 Budget Providing \$10,432 Surplus Given Approval

City Council on Monday approved Comptroller D. A. Macdonald's draft of the 1948 budget which calls for last year's tax rate of 45 1/2 mills and money by-laws for public works and water projects.

The budget provides a surplus of \$10,432.

Mr. Macdonald told council estimated receipts were \$14,000 more than under the original draft of estimates through old age pensions paid over to the city by occupants of the Home for the Aged. This amount was not included in the original estimates draft.

### \$140,392 REDUCTION

This means a cut in blanket reductions to estimates of the public works department to \$140,392. The budget of the public-works-committee, under Ald. Dr. J. D. Hunter, and the water estimates were slashed so that the 45 1/2 mill rate could be maintained.

Through further reductions by

the works-committee and the increase in estimated receipts, the by-law planned for funds to carry out new road work will call for approximately \$30,000 instead of \$40,000.

### \$1,000,000 BY-LAW

It is the intention of Ald. Hunter and committee members to include this amount in a \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 by-law for public works projects over a number of years.

Estimates of Ald. F. N. Cabeldu's water-committee were cut and approximately \$96,697 will be bought in a by-law for new mains and other work.

The public works estimates were amended to include \$4,500 for work on Blanshard Street in the vicinity of the Memorial Arena. Islands in the centre of the new section of the street will be completed.

Taxation under the 45 1/2 mills will be 100 per cent on land and 65 per cent on improvements, the same as last year.

## Council Approves New Cars, Uniforms For Police, Firemen

The city's police and fire departments will have new cars and other equipment this year and men of the two departments will have new uniforms.

This was assured at Monday's City Council meeting when tenders were accepted for:

Police Department—A 1938 Chevrolet sedan from Wilson Motors Ltd.; a \$2,071 panel delivery truck to replace the present patrol wagon, from J. M. Wood Motors; two Harley-Davidson motorcycles to cost \$2,297, and two side cars for them costing \$536. Trade-in on the patrol wagon amounts to \$900 and on two old motorcycles, \$950.

### NEW LADDER TRUCK

Fire Department—A \$2,702 G.M.C. two-ton chassis and cab from Davis Motors Ltd. for a new ladder vehicle; \$1,743 Chevrolet coupe from Wilson Motors Ltd.; \$2,146 Dodge sedan from J. M. Wood Motors; and \$1,909 in other equipment including sirens, spot lights, hose, ladders, electrical wire and alarm boxes.

Gordon Campbell Ltd. of Vancouver was given the contracts to supply both departments with uniforms. The police department will get 68 uniforms, 56 with two pairs of pants, and 15 overcoats for \$5,183. The fire department will get 95 uniforms, with two pairs of pants for \$5,371. Hall and Co. Ltd. of Victoria was given the contract to supply shirts for the officers.

## Fire Department Gets First Jump On Revenue Surplus

Ald. Harold Diggon, chief fire warden, got "first innings" on the \$10,432 surplus of the city's 1948 budget.

Shortly after Comptroller D. A. Macdonald told City Council meeting on estimates Monday that the surplus was assured, the alderman asked how extra fire department expenditures not in the estimates could be met.

Mr. Macdonald and Mayor Percy George put their heads together. Their decision—surplus. Ald. Diggon smiled in approval. Two hundred dollars of the \$812 is required for the purchase of a flashing traffic beacon for outside the Cormorant Street fire headquarters. The signal will stop all traffic automatically as soon as a fire alarm is received and equipment is rushed out of the hall.

The remaining \$612 is needed to connect new street signals with the fire headquarters' alarm system so that they can be held in the stop position when fire trucks are coming.

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## Talk Of Poor Streets Lot Of 'Bunk' Alderman Argues

Ald. Dr. Williams, the city's finance committee chairman, would like to take a gun to the man who calls down Victoria's streets.

"It's a lot of bunk... all this talk about poor streets and dangerous intersections," he told City Council Monday during 1948 estimates discussion.

He said Victoria has the finest streets of any city on the coast, yes, even on the continent!

"That is for cities of comparable size, the alderman added. The white-haired senior member of the council admitted there are streets, particularly in the outlying districts, which need repair, and added:

"But all this talk of deplorable streets all over is a lot of nonsense."

"I think it's poor stuff to preach bad roads. It's not called Circus Likes Park Near E. & N. Tracks, Ald. Banfield Told

Ald. Charles Banfield is on the wrong side of the tracks... So joked fellow aldermen at Monday's City Council meeting when the Victoria West representative complained about circus being granted permission to use Victoria West Park.

"Why not Beacon Hill Park?" he asked.

Ald. M. Aubrey Kent, parks committee chairman, pointed out that no functions can be held there in which admissions are charged.

Mayor Percy George explained to Ald. Banfield that the circus people liked Victoria West Park because it was close to the E. & N. railway and the moving of animals and equipment from trains was easy.

"You're on the wrong side of the tracks," aldermen chorused.

## \$12 City's Share Of \$706 Sidewalk

A \$706 cement sidewalk will be constructed on Cook Street between Haultain and Bay Streets but all the city will pay will be \$12.

Ald. Dr. J. D. Hunter, public works committee chairman, told City Council Monday that the work was being done through local improvement and there was only one small piece of the sidewalk which the city will pay for. Property owners will foot the bill for the rest.

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It also approved the installation of a traffic signal at the Oak Bay junction at a cost of \$315. Installation will take place in about two months.

Stop signs will be erected on both sides of a railroad crossing on Wilson Street.

Some old diving equipment in the charge of the public works department will be sold to Foster's Shipyard for \$75.

Contractors desiring parking places for long periods outside building projects where parking meters are installed can have the space... at a price.

Over the objections of Ald. Ed Williams and Ald. Mrs. M. D. Christie, City Council on Monday approved a public works department recommendation on the subject.

The committee recommended that applicants for parking space where meters are installed be required to pay \$1 per meter plus 50 cents a day per meter. The \$1 would be used to provide caps for the meters showing them to be out of bounds temporarily for motorists.

Ald. Williams said the fees were "outrageous" and further consideration should be given.

Ald. Dr. J. D. Hunter, works committee chairman, said the subject was studied thoroughly and the committee felt this was fair.

Ald. Harold Diggon pointed out that the meters collected about 50 cents a day ordinarily and the \$1 charge for caps was reasonable.

Ald. M. Aubrey Kent said the contractor won't pay the price anyway... the person employing him will do so.

Who says the Scots haven't a sense of humor?

At Monday's City Council meeting on estimates Aldermen greeted enthusiastically City Comptroller D. A. Macdonald's opening words:

"I have been able to make one reduction in estimated expenditures and have found additional revenue."

Then he enlarged on his announcement.

"The police estimates can be cut by \$20," he said, then there was silence for a moment, then a chorus of laughs, but not as loud as when the serious-faced comptroller explained the additional revenue.

It amounted to the large sum of 32 cents in taxation!

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"Over \$70,000,000 have been provided for our highway system in the past four years and when you all know as I do that still more and better highways are needed, you will realize the tremendous job ahead to bring our community plant up-to-date," he said.

"In my opinion," he added, "I venture to say we have all greatly underestimated our future needs because we have greatly underestimated our opportunities and the growth of our province. What we have seen so far is only the beginning, only the preface to the story of our growth during the next few years."

At the same time as expanding its existing plant, the government had to shoulder an increased load for social services—now amounting to the formidable figure of \$20,324,000 a year, he said.

The government's view was that it cannot neglect the out-of-date plant and cannot neglect the health of the people, the education of the young and the care of the aged; he said, and hence the government's need for more revenues.

If British Columbia is to provide the new needs of its population without unjust and excessive taxes, then the province's production of wealth must be maintained at the highest possible level.

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## Wisner Scores Political Attacks On B.C. Labor Code

Labor Minister Gordon S. Wisner today expressed hope that certain groups would discontinue political attacks on the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, the contentious commonly called Bill 39.

The bill went through second reading after a two-hour debate. The attacks, Mr. Wisner said, would not succeed in overthrowing the government but he warned the attacks might succeed in building up wide antagonism to the act and would induce industrial unrest.

"I hope there will not be a continuation of the political attack on the bill," said Mr. Wisner, who reported that the proposed amendments to the bill had been unanimously approved by the Labor Relations Board. He spoke feelingly of the abilities of the board members, claiming that he had heard nothing but commendation from both employers and union leaders for its chairman, J. Pitcairn Hogg, K.C., legislative counsel.

The labor minister outlined the provisions of the amending bill. He expressed amazement at criticism aimed at the amending bill by labor leaders, particularly those affiliated with the Canadian Congress of Labor.

Provisions for the board to make "cease and desist" orders to halt unfair labor practices were described by Mr. Wisner as one of the most important features of the amending bill.

### TO MEET DEMANDS OF BOTH

"All through the act we have endeavored to meet the demands of both employers and employees to cut down the period of negotiation," he said, noting that the cooling off period before a strike vote had been cut to 57 days. He said surely there would be no excuse for an illegal strike with this provision.

"We've got to have confidence

in this board," he continued, assuring that the board would exercise its powers provided in the amending bill to submit a management offer for settlement of a strike to the strikers only if the offer were reasonable.

Removal of penalties against individual strikers, said Mr. Wisner, had first been advocated by the employers.

"Could you collect 10,000 men," asked A. J. Turner, C.C.F., Vancouver East.

"Yes," replied Mr. Wisner. "I think we could."

But, Mr. Wisner continued, it was necessary to have provision to deal with illegal strikes. The provision in the amending bill is to cancel the bargaining authority of a labor organization participating in an illegal strike.

"I want to tell him that I don't believe that statement is correct," said Herbert Gargrave, C.C.F., Mackenzie, of the claim by Mr. Wisner that the amending bill had been approved by labor organizations.

"I am satisfied there are provisions in this bill which are even more obnoxious than those of Bill 39," he continued.

Mr. Gargrave said that a majority of the provisions of the amending bill were on the debit side so far as labor was concerned. He said that most of the restrictive measures were proposed by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

Turning over to the Labor Relations Board wide powers was described by him as a negation of democracy.

"I don't believe this bill is sound in many of its principles or that it will achieve the results hoped by the Minister of Labor," he said.

Expressing hope of some unions that the provision for the government supervision of strike votes would be abolished, Mr. Gargrave claimed the provision was unworkable in large basic industries, particularly the logging and mining industries of the province.

He then moved that the bill be referred to the labor committee of the Legislature. Second was E. F. Rowland, C.C.F., Omineca. Their efforts failed when the proposal was put to a vote after A. J. McDonnell, Coalition, Vancouver Centre, referred to the move as a "nuisance amendment" and the Labor Min-

## Amateur Concert Big Success



Typical scene of a group of House 1 boys from Vic High performing a ballet dance.

An hour of sparkling comedy, together with some fine musicianship featured yesterday's amateur concert finals, sponsored by the Victoria High School H.Y. groups to aid the memorial stadium fund. Malcolm Hamilton, versatile young pianist, and a boys' ballet group representing House 1, finished in a tie for winning honors.

Hamilton drew a large response for his piano interpreta-

tion depicting a typical day of his life. The ballet group was a farce from beginning to end, although the boys showed they had learned some grace from the teachings of Doreen Bull, who placed second in the finals.

Marilyn and Janice Bacon, two-piano team won third-place honors and their rendition of the popular "Malaguena" by Lecuona won applause from the packed auditorium. Others on

the program were Ruth Porter, performing an intricate Russian dance, a group from House IV showing an operating table behind the scenes, and a stirring ballet dance by June Day. Don Taylor rendered a popular piano selection to round out the program. Comedy was offered by Ray Orchard, M.C., Bruce Naylor, "George Rapanos, Murray Mackie, Carey McAllister and Bruce Madeley.

made by the Labor Minister were not well received.

Mr. Turner suggested penalties against individual strikers were unenforceable and therefore they had been removed, yet provision to fine the unions was retained.

"Any law which makes strikes illegal is bound for trouble," he said, "because no one, not even union officials, can effectively say you cannot strike."

Principles in the amending bill make the way easy for union smashing. If the government has that intention, then sorrowfully the unions would be forced to take up the challenge.

"Nowhere can we find any desire of the government where, if the workers are provoked into an illegal strike the government will seize the assets of the employers."

Citing a poll on the Tait-Hartley act in the U.S. as an example, A. R. McDougall, Coalition, Vancouver-Point Grey, contended that if a similar vote were taken among the workmen of this province it would be found that they supported the provisions of the I.C.A. Act.

## Italian, Yugoslav Killed In Clash At Trieste Border

ROME (AP)—An Italian soldier and a Yugoslav officer were killed Monday night in a border patrol fight near Trieste, and amid rising tension, British and U.S. authorities tightened precautions today against any Communist infiltration of their zone of the Free Territory for May Day demonstrations.

The Italian Defence Ministry said the clash occurred in a narrow strip of territory which Yugoslav forces had seized "in one of their many sallies" out of their lines.

Three other Italian soldiers were wounded in the brief skirmish, one critically. The clash occurred near the village of Rauna di Luico, just northwest of the Free Territory.

The Defence Ministry said the Yugoslavs have refused to return the body of the dead Italian soldier. Its communique said the Yugoslav commander had refused to leave his headquarters to talk to an Italian general who went to the scene. It added that an Italo-Slav military commission already has begun to investigate the incident.

## Steamship Clerks Get Raise In Pay

MONTREAL (CP)—An agreement between Canada Steamship Lines and the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks providing a wage increase of 16½ cents an hour for freight handlers was announced today by Frank H. Hall, brotherhood president.

The agreement, covering 2,000 men from Montreal to the head of the Great Lakes, brings basic wages to 94½ cents an hour.

Mr. Hall said 6½ cents of the increase is retroactive to last July 25 and the remainder is effective from last April 15. The wage boost is based on the increase in the cost of living since the freight handlers had their last increase in August, 1946. They also are eligible for the company's pension plan.

## Costly Fire-Safety List Ordered For Willows Buildings

A long, expensive list of fire safety improvements to the buildings at the Willows Fairgrounds must be carried out before the B.C. Agricultural Association can open the buildings for the public for another fall fair.

A letter from Basil Nixon, deputy fire marshal for B.C., was received Monday afternoon, with a note from W. A. Walker, fire marshal, authorizing the department to see these recommendations are carried out before the buildings are thrown open to the public.

The report is the result of a survey of the grounds made by officials of the association, the fire marshal's office, Fire Chief E. G. Claydons and the Oak Bay building inspector.

The agricultural association is awaiting Oak Bay council's decision on its application for a \$10 building permit to carry out certain repairs to the buildings on the fairgrounds.

The recommendations are expected to come up for discussion at the next meeting of the council.

The report says that all buildings must be provided with required exits on the basis of one unit of exit width for each 450 feet of floor area. Doors to be six-foot, double-leaf single outward swinging types. All doors to be equipped with standard panic bolts and identified with exit signs.

The report goes on to tell how many are required in all the buildings on the fairgrounds property.

As for the existing stables, the report continues: "They are very old and all should be torn down as they provide a fire hazard to the rest of the property."

"All building wiring should be completed in conduit. All verandas should be replaced. Five-gallon pump-tank type extinguishers should be located at plainly-marked places, one for each 3,000 feet of floor area. Such extinguishers of other types that may be required should be installed consistent with the advice of the fire chief," the report says.

The structures were labeled as of frame construction and in a more or less dilapidated condition requiring a good deal of repair work.

"Finally, it is strongly recommended that, provided sufficient water can be obtained, each building should be fully sprinkled. Steps should be taken immediately, in any case, to eliminate the three dead-end water mains by running a new line to connect the two furthest-most hydrants, thereby creating a loop."

Maurice Pickering, Room 106 Y.M.C.A., reported to city police last night that his room had been entered between 9 and 10 and a camera in a leather case and tin box containing \$25 in cash and other articles were stolen. Room was entered by a window off the fire escape.

## Paid Out \$79,327.497; Took In \$344,607,659

OTTAWA (CP)—The government said Monday it had collected \$344,607,659 in taxes during the fiscal year ended last March 31 in the seven provinces which "rent" certain taxation rights to the Dominion.

The seven—all but Ontario and Quebec—were paid a total of \$79,327,497 by the Dominion for the right to impose personal income, corporation income, excess profits and succession duty taxes during the same period.

A return tabled in the Commons gave these tax collection totals: Personal income \$181,946,946; corporation income \$93,528,529; excess profits \$62,005,900; succession duty \$7,126,284.

An alert dog is believed to have scared off thieves who were in the process of breaking into a workshop at the rear of the Treasury House, 1028 Fort Street, during the night. The hasp holding the padlock was forced off but no entry was gained. Police report several attempts to force entry to the Wilson and Lenfesty store, 1225 Government Street, during the week-end. There was ample evidence of the attempts at the rear windows.

## Saanich Woman Severely Burned

Mrs. M. MacLeod, Box 2103 Gordon Head Road, was rushed to Jubilee Hospital by Constable David Shepherd of Saanich police today suffering from severe burns to the arms, chest and back.

According to the police, Mrs. MacLeod was standing before an open fireplace she had just lighted when her kimono caught fire.

Miss R. Huntley and Mrs. B. Blome-Jones, other residents of the house, smothered the flames and called the police.

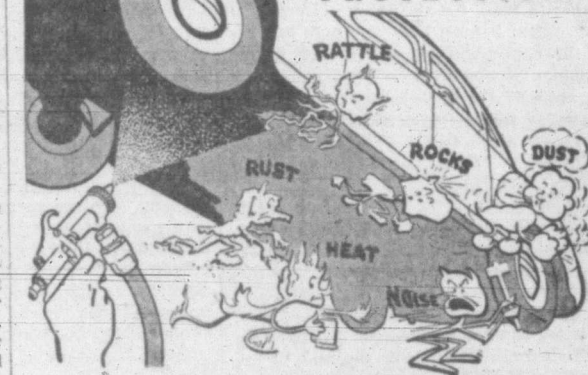
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## **FREIGHT RATE INEQUALITIES**

CANADA'S RAILWAYS, LIKE OTHER industries, have felt the impact of rising costs. Maintenance of the service the people of this Dominion require, to say nothing of improvements the times demand, entails higher expenditure. Such is the basic reason for the award of the Board of Transport Commissioners granting the two main lines increases of 21 per cent in freight rates. The board has conducted exhaustive inquiries into the question and has delivered its findings accordingly.

No one doubts that higher revenue was required by the railroads, though the amount by which it should be raised at the expense of the consumers of this country may be in question. What British Columbia does object to, on the other hand, is the blanket increase, exclusive of grain shipments, applied on the higher tariff imposed on carloads which must pass through the mountains. It has been, and still is, this province's case that adjustment of the mountain differential is an essential preliminary to equitable settlement of the entire freight rates problem.

In the Legislature yesterday Premier Johnson presented figures to show the manner in which British Columbia suffered unduly under the revised charges. Not only is the province placed in the position of having to meet the percentage increase on basic rates; it must also pay more because of the application of that charge to the premium exacted from British Columbia on the basis of the special mountain charges.

During the last year or two, much has been made of the fact that "business is moving to B.C." New capital is carrying on extensive development. All this, of course, makes for strength in the economic life of Canada's Pacific seaboard. When, however, increased charges are placed upon the product of new industry, the imported raw materials from which the manufactured goods are made, and on commodities shipped east, the movement of business to this province faces an impediment. For the sake of the expansion of British Columbia, no less than for the sake of consumers here who must, inevitably, help to carry higher freight charges, it seems only reasonable that discriminatory tariffs should be removed.

Appreciation of these facts is long overdue on the part of the authorities with jurisdiction over rates. Premier Johnson has the support of British Columbia citizens solidly behind him in the position he has taken for removal of the differential.

## **IN MUTUAL INTEREST**

THE GENERAL ATTITUDE OF CANADIAN toward the United States was very fairly expressed today by Mr. C. Bruce Hill, president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, when he told a Washington, D.C., audience that "Canada wants and expects nothing from the United States other than the consideration normally given a best customer, a good risk and a good friend." Such a statement, if heeded, should do much to dispel the mistaken opinion held in some quarters that this country seeks from its great neighbor aid on a scale and of a nature to place it in the position of mendicant.

The Dominion has nothing to apologize for in any comparison with the United States. Both in war contributions and the subsequent efforts of this hemisphere to help Britain and the rest of Europe in rehabilitation, this country's record compares extremely well with that of the nation to the south. Our price levels and consequent cost of living have suffered much less maladjustment, our reconversion to peacetime industry has been effected equally well, and our general standard of prosperity is one that stands without fear of adverse criticism.

Regarding the three counts which Mr. Hill enumerated, our position as a customer is one that fully bears out his description. In 1947 Canada bought about \$2,000,000,000 worth of goods from the United States. We sold to that country only \$1,000,000,000 worth, a fact which has resulted in our present need to restrict imports and conserve American dollars. High United States tariffs which keep out many items which we could otherwise sell to the south contribute considerably to this imbalance. Operations in connection with the "Marshall Plan" are expected to assist Canadian efforts to equalize our trade, by helping to pay in dollars for goods which we ship across the Atlantic.

Canada's status as a "good risk" for American capital has been amply demonstrated over the years, to the extent that United States capital in the amount of \$5,000,000,000 has been attracted here. About 2,000 branch plants of American parent firms are operating in the Dominion, and no investor from below the 49th parallel fears more than the normal business hazards when placing his money in a Canadian venture. In regard to our status as a "good friend," the subject has been discussed to the point of becoming hackneyed. No two adjacent countries in the world have lived in greater harmony and co-operation than have Canada and the United States, with a total

lack of oppression on the part of the larger neighbor, and a complete lack of fear on the part of the smaller. The relationship may well serve as a model of what could perhaps in future times be realized on a global scale. Mr. Hill was on solid ground when he added, in the course of his address, "It is in the mutual interests of our two countries that the destinies of the United States and Canada run a parallel course."

## **YOUNG WANDERLUST**

WITHIN RECENT DAYS VICTORIANS have learned of the happy conclusion of searches for small children who have wandered away from home. In one instance a three-year-old girl was discovered unharmed after friends, neighbors and woods-men had combed a section of Sooke through out the night. More recently, a little boy of the same age was found wandering on the road five hours after he had been reported missing. In each case the South Vancouver Island Rangers brought their forces into play without delay.

For the parents and relatives of the two youngsters, the public in general has unquestioned sympathy. At the same time it does appear desirable that every effort be made by parents to impart to their offspring the very serious consequences of yielding to a wanderlust, particularly in the less developed sections of southern Vancouver Island. We do not minimize the difficulties of imparting such instruction to a generation which is showing a disconcerting proclivity for exploration almost as soon as it possesses shoes. But many parents take it for granted that their children will not stray and consequently never think of the admonitions which might be given them.

Everyone, of course, is happy over the outcome of the two most recent episodes. But everyone would be happier if the incidents had not occurred. Better than the successful prosecution of a search, with its anxieties and expenditures of man hours, is the absence of provocation for that particular expression of community spirit.

## **SEASONAL FLOODS**

EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY FOR THE Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta residents who are suffering severe damage as a result of floods will be mingled with thankfulness that our own particular part of the continent is not subject to such rigorous treatment from nature. The vast treeless plains of the prairies, the low banks of the rivers, the Spring arrival of swollen waters as a result of melting ice, and the damming of streams by ice jams are all factors in the seasonal flooding of riverside communities. This year the rise of water has been particularly dangerous—one area reports the highest levels in 50 years—and a larger toll of damage than usual has been reported. A dozen deaths have been caused by the floods, much valuable farm land has been inundated, and numbers of houses made temporarily uninhabitable.

There would appear to be little that can be done to avoid the periodic calamity that overtakes these regions. The nature of the terrain makes river flooding almost inevitable under Spring conditions. Extensive systems of locks and dams on some of the waterways might control the effect of the rising waters, a solution which obviously would entail large expenditures. Local precautions may protect individual residences, but the best over-all protection is the occurrence of a slow Spring break-up, which will send the run-off lakeward in a volume its channels can accommodate.

## **WHAT CAN SHE BRING?**

THE NEWS THAT THE WIDOW OF Benito Mussolini, with a son and a daughter, has applied for a United States immigration visa, leads one to speculate on what qualifications they have listed to merit a welcome from the western democracy. Donna Rachele, it is said, hopes to publish her memoirs in America, and she claims that her story will reveal a Mussolini the world never knew before. If that is the great gift she wishes to give this continent in exchange for United States residence, then we feel that she might well remain in her island home in the Gulf of Naples. The world has heard enough of Mussolini to last it for the next few generations. Any further elaboration of his story, particularly if designed to show him in a better light than did his terroristic, totalitarian acts when he strided the earth with out-thrust chest and chin, will be definitely more than we require.

Donna Rachele's complaint that Italy no longer provides her children with the hope of a good future is one which millions of Italians could have voiced during the time her husband walked over their bent backs to dictatorial power. That the return of democracy has blighted their hopes is not surprising, but this is hardly a valid reason why they should be accepted willingly by the country that spent its citizens' lives and wealth in a desperate endeavor to stamp out the evil things for which Mussolini stood. The daughter, Annamaria, who is described as having "her father's looks and voice," reportedly is "film-struck," and avidly collects movie stars' pictures and histories. Romano, the young son, is "shy but very proud," and a great music lover. These are not qualities which would bar them from entry to the United States, but there are bitter historical connotations which make the project unattractive. It is, of course, a matter for the United States to decide, but we cannot help but feel that this is one group of "undisplaced persons" which should remain so.

## **Editor's Report**

By HARRY P. HODGES  
Editor of the Times, from Washington

EXPERIENCE has taught me that the capital city of any country seldom provides the best conditions in which to take the political temperature. This is true of Washington this morning. It was true in 1944—especially after the late and lamented Wendell Willkie had met his Waterloo in Wisconsin. Much has happened in the last four years. Nor is it necessary to indulge in a chronological recital of the Roosevelt-Truman impact upon the affairs of Canada's great and influential neighbor. So, to paraphrase and mutilate an ancient query, what can they know of the United States who only Washington know?

I POSE THE QUESTION because I have talked to many in this beautiful city of trees, azaleas, and white and pink dogwood—now, by the way, sporting all their spring grandeur in a temperature which bids fair to equal yesterday's eighty in the shade—who seem to be completely untroubled by the number of names spread across the G.O.P. nomination scoreboard. Small wonder; they are all names with which to conjure.

This man Stassen, of course, has upset all the hopes and calculations of the old-line Republicans. One senses that they ask why this "young upstart" has been able, for instance, to capture Wisconsin with comparative ease while Willkie failed to collect a single delegate from that state in 1944. But there it is. The erstwhile navy commander—whom nonpolitical Admiral Halsey regards as one of his boys, just as President Woodrow Wilson's War Secretary Newton D. Baker regarded young Willkie as one of his boys—is nevertheless campaigning for the nomination as few in the whole history of United States politics have campaigned before. And in addition to Wisconsin, the former Minnesota governor has tucked Nebraska into his popularity belt.

THIS MAY NOT MEAN much in the final analysis. It is not a popularity contest. It is only votes that count. But there is always the psychological element to be borne in mind. And you should see the meticulous detail which goes to make up the Stassen publicity department here in Washington. Nothing has been left to chance. The man who interviewed Stalin about a year ago, whose press conference 48 hours after the release of the text of that memorable chat in the Kremlin set a new record in press-agency, is nothing if not a working model of the principle which bequeathed to every young American boy the chance to become President of the United States.

Members of the world's press, and more than 100 were present, had a complete mimeographed report of that informal chat within an hour of its conclusion. I got mine in exactly 40 minutes.

## **SO MUCH FOR THE Stassen background.**

What about Dewey? What about Taft? What about MacArthur? These are questions on which I, not given to pontification, certainly do not propose to suggest that my guess is this or that. As a "reporter on the road," however, I will record the view of a wiseacre on United States political affairs, a former member of the State Legislature of New York, who knows Dewey and likes and believes in him, who says, without equivocation, that the present governor of his state and the successful G.O.P. candidate in 1944, will not only be nominated by the Republicans in Philadelphia next June, but also will bid for tenancy of the White House after November the Second. That is one opinion from a newspaperman thoroughly seasoned in the mechanics of the trade and also in what makes politics click on Capitol Hill.

THEN COMES OUR Mr. Taft. He is not doing so well. Latest speculation places him three behind, a "place" in the presidential nominating race. Senator Vandenberg, while fourth in the tabulation set out by the crystal gazers, is in a category somewhat unique. And thereby may hang a very important tale. The current talk on Capitol Hill, for example, is that if the hard-shell Republicans of the precatonic age decide that Stassen must be stopped at all costs, and that if he still continues to gain in popularity and in the all-essential electoral contest, it might be necessary to "persuade" Vandenberg—to allow his name to go before the Philadelphia Convention. Well, who better than Stassen for the running mate for the distinguished Senator from Michigan?

NOBODY HERE, incidentally, is paying much attention to the revived "MacArthur for President" emotional campaign. But back of all this speculation, on the other hand, is the silent Truman technique. Summed up, or as this observer has been able to detect it in three days here, it is that the present incumbent at the White House is hoping that, as far as the Democratic Party is concerned, the Marshall Plan will work something like a near-miracle in Western Europe and that the present house Congress will be defeated on Nov. 2 next. And that would indeed be a miracle.

## **Quoting**

If reporters at any time feel that you are a stuffed shirt, that's the time to watch out. There's nothing a reporter enjoys more than poking into a stuffed shirt. And I can't blame them.—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, U.S. Army, Ret.

## **Speculative Line-up**



## **Awakening To The Need For Defence**

By JAMES THRASHER from New York

AMERICAN industry is beginning to be mobilized for defence. This is comforting rather than frightening news. It means preparedness, not aggression. And it is happening none too soon.

In six cities this year, and in 20 next year, industrialists are attending classes given by instructors from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Reserve officers in industry are selected by the armed services, and civilian students are chosen by fellow industrialists. They receive a 10-day condensation of a 10-month Industrial College course.

It has long been evident that a long-range program of military training or the more immediate revival of selective service is only a gesture unless there is a long-range program of supply to match these measures. We all can remember the ludicrous spectacle of the American Army manoeuvring with dummy guns and trucks labeled "tank" in the summer of 1939 while all Europe mobilized for war.

We can remember that that

ludicrous spectacle had some grim consequences during the war. Gen. Courtney E. Hodges recalled some of them at the opening of the industrial mobilization sessions in New York the other day.

## **WITH BROOMSTICKS**

He reminded his listeners of the times when ammunition had to be rationed, when artillery transport was converted to trucking units, when winter clothing, badly needed in the Battle of the Bulge, arrived in quantity in the spring. That, too, was essentially fighting with broomsticks. But then it immobilized thousands, increased casualties and lengthened the war.

"When the First Army ran out of gasoline and had to stop," General Hodges said, "the blame went back over the miles and over the years to the American people themselves."

That charge cannot easily be denied. It has seemed that until recently—a matter of weeks, in fact—a large segment of Congress, apparently reflecting the sentiment of its constituents, be-

lieved that the United States by preparing to defend itself was courting war.

Now there is a definite shift in sentiment. The American people are facing up to reality. They are beginning to see that the country has the choice of lying supine before the threat of aggression or preparing for full and speedy mobilization if that threat should become an actuality.

## **NOT OVERNIGHT**

General Hodges pointed out that it takes three years from drafting mobilization to quantity production in heavy weapons, and seven years for combat airplanes. That means research, facilities, stockpiling and the nucleus of trained personnel for quick industrial expansion. They can't be assembled overnight.

Organizing strength and resources for military defence may not be as good a means as diplomacy for ending a cold war before it grows hot. But, under present circumstances, it is an indispensable partner of diplomacy.

## **Job Worries In Washington**

By DOUGLAS LARSEN from Washington

ON TOP of a war scare and the general strain of confused living in the capital of the United States, the federal population has found a new cause for jitter.

For the past 16 years employment conditions for government workers have been exceedingly stable. Now, however, the chances of there being a flock of new bosses around after the election next November seem to be getting bigger every day.

The big question is just what will a new President mean to the 2,000,000 or so federal employees.

## **PROTECTION**

Approximately 95 per cent of all U.S. employees are now protected by civil service laws. The only way a new President could affect their jobs would be by drastically cutting down the size of the government.

There has been talk of the possibility of a legal gimmick which could be used. An agency could be immediately recreated under a new act. This would void an employee's legal status in that agency and they could all be fired. It is doubtful if a new President would try this.

Included in the 5 per cent who aren't under civil service are persons working for the Tennessee Valley Authority, assistant U.S. district attorneys, members of commissions and federal judges.

## **No Picket Rights**

Brandon Sun

Labor unions have no right to interfere with the right of a citizen to pass freely on the public path. The authority to do so is not upheld by any court decisions. Mass picketing is unnecessary, improper and illegal. One picket with a sign can advertise the grievances of the strikers and maintain the union's right of free speech.

appointed for specific terms, county agricultural agents, etc. Some of these jobs would be used for patronage purposes. Some carry fixed terms and many aren't worth the trouble of changing.

## **MOST WORRIED**

The most important jobs with that 5 per cent, however, are the ones which constitute the real core of a President's policy-making, operating administration. These include cabinet posts, the assistant secretaries and under secretaries, most bureau chiefs and the top diplomats.

It is estimated that there are about 2,000 such key, inner-circle positions now in the federal government. The President usually knows the holders of these jobs personally. He helps select them or at least passes upon their fitness. Some of these appointments have to be approved by the Senate. They are the men he must trust to carry out his broad policies.

So it is really the holders of these 2,000 jobs today who are most worried about the possibilities of President Truman's

chances for re-election. Their jobs are at stake.

## **POSSIBILITIES**

But the cause for job worries isn't necessarily limited to the 2,000. The top level civil service employees know that a new secretary or assistant secretary couldn't legally fire them. But they could have their authority taken away, be assigned unpleasant jobs, or worse still, just be given nothing to do. This has happened. The top civil service workers do vital work, too. They sometimes help in making policy and many have access to the President and advise him.

If there is a new President for the next term, students of government will be very interested to see just how much he will be able to influence or change the course of the government.

## **UNIQUE SITUATION**

He will be stepping into a unique situation. No previous President has ever inherited such a giant organization to try to run in the first place, except President Truman who was really not stepping into the job cold. And second, a new President will have less help on his side to do the job in relation to its size than any previous President.

Most of the job of changing the course of the government is not a question of changing laws. It is a question of changing the administration of the executive branch.

## **Obligation**

Winnipeg Free Press  
In the new world which the peace-loving nations hope to establish, there is an obligation on a great new country like Canada to increase its absorptive capacity as far as possible, so that people in other overcrowded countries may find the opportunities for a better life.

## **Global Survey**

By DEWITT MACKENZIE  
Associated Press News Analyst

THE Palestine crisis has taken on fresh international importance as the result of Russia's sensational about-face in joining the United Nations Trusteeship Council after boycotting that body for 13 months.

The Muscovite action apparently is an effort to further a double ambition: (1) to gain a foothold in the militarily strategic and oil-rich Middle East, and (2) to prevent extension of American power in that vital area.

The development has a somewhat complicated background, but briefly it is this: The U.N. Political Committee, comprising the entire membership of the peace organization, has for some time been considering a United States plan for trusteeship over Palestine. Russia has opposed any trusteeship, claiming that the United States is manoeuvring for military bases and petroleum in the Middle East.

Any trusteeship would have to be handled by the Trusteeship Council. The Soviet Union belongs to the council but has been maintaining a boycott until now, when the council has suddenly assumed unusual importance. Hence Moscow's cool move at long last in naming a representative to that body and thus getting set for action.

## **COMPLICATED BY RIVALRY**

It is a tragedy that the sanguinary Jewish-Arab struggle over the Holy Land should be complicated by rivalry between Russia and the major western Allies for domination of the Middle East. These two elements so dovetail as to constitute a grave menace to global peace.

However, we at least have the satisfaction of seeing the present phase of the big-power competition confined largely to the U.N. The hope naturally must be that it can be kept there.

The most important issue revolves about the question of sending an international force to Palestine to maintain peace. The Russians would give their shirts to get a Red army into the Middle East, thereby establishing a military grip which they could exploit as they have their hold on eastern Germany. That would get the Bolshevik boot into the door of one of the world's most important areas.

Washington has made it clear that the United States is firmly opposed to any U.N. plan which would involve the sending of Russian troops to Palestine. However, that's a ticklish position to maintain and observers anticipate that the United States will do all possible to avoid being manoeuvred into a position of taking a formal position on the matter in the U.N.



## **PROFOUND MYSTERY**

T.D.F. in the Ottawa Citizen

One of the profound mysteries of the moment is, "Who's grabbing the big profit in the 71 cents a pound they're gouging us for butter?" The farmer says he doesn't get it, the wholesaler says he doesn't either, and the retailer simply gives you a dirty look if he thinks you're hinting at him. So, as it must be going to some deserving charity, let us quit our silly complaining and pay it cheerfully.

## **BUREAUCRACY**

Exchange

The humor of Britons has supported them in Socialist gloom as it did in the war. One recent report tells the story of a bureaucratic department this way: An English lady who kept two cows to provide milk for her household found that on occasion she had a surplus. Being conscientious by nature, she wrote to the Ministry of Food to ask how she could dispose of it. The answer she received was, "You should not draw so much milk from the cow." That maybe we should wonder if that could not have occurred at Ottawa or Winnipeg?

## **STANDING ON PRINCIPLE**

Exchange

A letter, unfortunately an anonymous one, reached this office the other day, asking whether it was compulsory under the law to stand when "God Save the King" was played. It is not, as far as we can discover, but the same thing is liable to happen to those who do not as happened to the author of our communication. He was punched on the nose. Objectors, therefore, have an easy decision to make. They can either stand by their principles and sit or they can sit on their principles and stand. There is nothing more to it than that.



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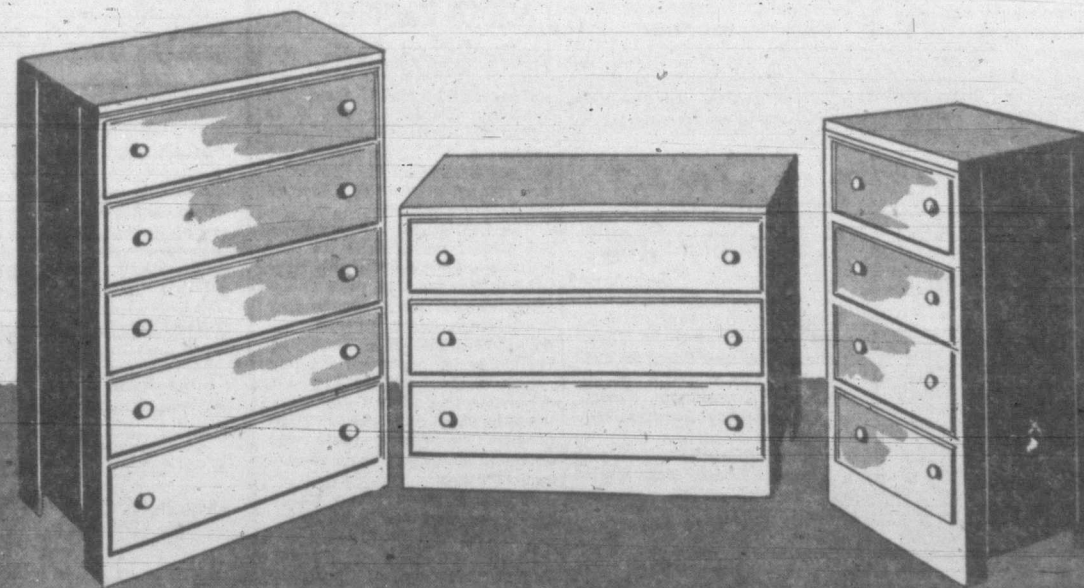
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## Hope Compulsory Scheme Will Develop To Full Health Insurance For Province

British Columbia's compulsory hospital insurance scheme will provide a basic service later to be extended, the government hopes, to out-patient hospital care, convalescent home operation and eventually full health insurance.

When the plan is expanded it will probably include provision for employer contributions.

"We haven't yet imposed the principle of employer contributions but I think we will when complete health insurance comes," said Health and Welfare Minister George S. Pearson in the Legislature Monday.

Mr. Pearson also indicated that all private schemes for hospitalization will probably eventually be abandoned in favor of the government scheme, which will

provide greater benefits at a lower cost. In the meantime the private schemes providing benefits to beneficiaries and payments to hospitals at least equivalent to those given in the government scheme will be permitted to continue.

"Don't forget this plan will be barely working in a year's time," said Mr. Pearson. "There will be no difficulty in expanding it."

He was answering demands of the C.C.F. for a broader scheme now.

### DEVELOPED BY STEPS

Complete health insurance, he indicated, could best be developed by steps, of which hospitalization was the first logical step. The present scheme was to provide as good or better service as now provided by the hospitals without going to too great expense.

Answering C.C.F. critics who had advocated that the scheme now be extended to include out-patient care, Mr. Pearson indicated that at the beginning the government was going slowly, avoiding some of the potential difficult problems, including out-patient care.

E. E. Winch, C.C.F., Burnaby, contended that more hospital beds would be available. If the service were extended to out-patient services.

Mr. Pearson foresaw, however, no great shortage of hospital

beds, noting that 923 were now in construction, and 283 were planned.

His opinion was backed up by Dr. J. J. Gillis, Coalition, Yale, who assured that physicians will not send persons to hospital unless their illness warranted it.

### TO INCLUDE PLANE SERVICE

Eventually the scheme may be extended to include airplane service to bring persons needing hospital care from isolated areas not served by hospitals, Mr. Pearson said. He suggested this may be provided for the west coast of Vancouver Island and the Atlin district.

Exemption of Christian Scientists from the scheme, Mr. Pearson said, had been provided in the bill at the request of the group which had been exempted from the health insurance scheme of years ago. He said this in reply to Herbert Gargrave, C.C.F., Mackenzie, who suggested it was unfair to exempt one group.

"The bill was approved prior to third reading after 2 1/2 hours discussion in committee of the whole during which one of the numerous C.C.F. amendments was accepted."

Among those opposed was a move by Mr. Winch to have the premium rate fixed at \$12 for single persons and \$24 for families. These premiums will be fixed by order-in-council but the maximum will be \$35 per annum.

## Pearson Defends Regulatory Powers For Health Scheme

Vesting of extensive regulatory powers under British Columbia's compulsory hospital insurance scheme in the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council was successfully defended in the Legislature Monday by Health and Welfare Minister George S. Pearson.

"A lot of orders-in-council are very wise safeguards," said Mr. Pearson in reply to C.C.F. Opposition Leader Harold E. Winch who had noted the growth in the past eight years of the number of orders passed.

After citing examples where the vesting of the power in the Provincial Cabinet Mr. Pearson said the powers, which the bill will confer on the cabinet, could be given to a commission but it was a precaution for the cabinet to make regulations "at least until such time as the plan is well under way and the principles well established."

Mr. Pearson noted that Saskatchewan had recently given the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council the power to set premium rates for its plan.

"My view is this is the way to do it," he said. "We're not taking any authority there that is not reasonable."

Mr. Pearson said that many things may happen between now and the time the collecting of premiums start.

Mrs. Nancy Hodges, Coalition, Victoria, noted that the Saskatchewan scheme had likewise a legislative form to which extensive regulations had been added.

Mr. Winch had noted that from 1940 to today the number of orders-in-council passed by the Provincial government had risen from 1943 to a high in 1946 of 3,080. He suggested that more than two cabinet meetings a week would be necessary if the government continued the trend set in the hospitalization scheme.

Both questions were answered by the House in the negative, one by only a two-vote margin.

The House considered the lengthy measure during the afternoon and evening meetings, winding up at 12:45 this morning. The bill has not yet received approval prior to third reading.

Progress on the Metalliferous Mines Regulations Act was in contrast to the 81-age Coal Mines Regulation Act which had won the approval of both mine unions and operators and which went through the House in a few minutes with hardly a question asked.

WANT KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH

Certification of persons employed in supervisory capacities and requirement of acknowledgment of English for all underground workers were both demanded by the C.C.F. for safety reasons.

Certification was rejected by the Legislature on a 16 to 13 show of hands vote. Mines Minister R. C. MacDonald said that South Africa was the only place requiring certification of supervisor.

Mr. McNis replied by saying that the inclusion of this provision in the act would result in a larger number of men willing to work underground in the mines.

The English language amendment, said Mr. MacDonald, meant that a mine could not employ even a mucker unless he could speak English.

"That, I suggest, is discriminatory," he said, adding that the provision would deprive some experienced miners.

While Mr. MacDonald reported that the provision had not been brought up by the mine unions during discussions on the draft act, Opposition Leader Harold E. Winch said the provision had been demanded by the union after the bill had been introduced in the House.

An amendment to the amendment on a minor detail was defeated 16 to 15—the closest vote during the current session. Another government member turned up before the question was put on the amendment and the vote was 17 to 15.

These were but two of dozens of amendments proposed by Mr. McNis.

The clashes were for the most part short on the other questions and were conducted by remote control, since the amendments had been urged by the miners' union and the answers given by Mr. MacDonald were those of his department experts.

One minor amendment of Mr. McNis was accepted in principle but will be redrafted. Another suggestion is being further considered.

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## B.C. To Continue Fight On Mountain Differential

Premier Byron Johnson made it clear to the Provincial Legislature Monday afternoon that British Columbia will proceed with its case aimed at removal of the "mountain differential" in rail freight rates despite the demand of seven provinces, including B.C., that a Royal Commission investigate freight rates.

Back from Ottawa where he conferred with the Premiers of the three prairie and three maritime provinces who are protesting the 21 per cent freight rate increase approved by the Board of Transport Commissioners and now before the Federal Parliament, Mr. Johnson explained that the Premiers in demanding the Royal Commission investigation had also asked that the increase be suspended pending the report of the commission and if the railways should be unable to carry on in the meantime they should be subsidized by the national government.

The case for the seven provinces was put before the Federal Cabinet Monday, Premier Angus Macdonald of Nova Scotia acting as spokesman.

"I would like to explain that the mountain differential as it applies to British Columbia means that the first class rate in British Columbia for one mile is in effect the same as the corresponding first class rate for 1 1/4 miles on the prairies," Mr. Johnson told the Legislature.

Therefore, prior to the implementation of the 21 per cent increase recently granted by the

hate to think the health officer of the province was making excuses. He said that the quarters in which the laboratory was housed were a minimum size for the work it did, but the government hoped to erect eventually a separate health building in Vancouver.

Dr. J. J. Gillis, Coalition, Yale, suggested a surprisingly large number of persons voluntarily had pre-marital tests.

Get Full Allowance

Arthur J. R. Ash, Coalition member for Saanich, and Walter Hogg, Coalition member for Cariboo, both will receive their full \$3,000 seasonal allowance for the current session of the Legislature.

Provision for this was made by the Legislature Monday on a resolution moved by Premier Johnson and seconded by Opposition Leader Harold E. Winch.

The two members elected in by-elections Feb. 23, were unable to take their seats in the House until a couple of weeks after the session started while the official returns of the election were prepared.

"I suggest the government was delinquent in allowing them to vote before," said Mr. Gargrave, noting that it was strange this particular group should be given the right to vote at this time.

Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismer claimed that not all the Mennonites were in the Chilliwack constituency, as suggested by Mr. Gargrave, and that they were a fine body of men, entitled to the franchise.

Lack Of Facilities Halts Blood Tests

Pre-marital blood tests for venereal disease, provided in legislation on the statute books for the last 10 years, will still not be required by the Provincial government because of a lack of laboratory facilities.

The Legislature Monday voted down an amendment to the Marriage Act which would have provided for the tests to be undertaken immediately. Proposed by E. E. Winch, C.C.F., Burnaby, the amendment has been moved by the C.C.F. for years.

Mr. Winch, anticipating the government's reason for not implementing the proclamation provision, contended there was adequate laboratory space to conduct the tests.

"There is some other reason and the public is entitled to know it," he said.

Health and Welfare Minister George S. Pearson said he would

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## Legislation To End Legal Battle Of Power Companies

Clearing up of the lengthy legal battle over the compensation the B.C. Power Commission will pay for three power companies expropriated in 1945 is proposed in legislation presented to the House Monday.

Introduced by Premier Byron Johnson, the measures provide that the appeal taken by the commission against the findings of the valuator of the Nanaimo-Duncan Utilities Ltd. properties shall be deemed valid and effective and both the commission and company appeals will be validated in the cases of the compensation to be paid the West Canadian Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. and the Columbia Power Company Ltd., and their subsidiaries.

Provision is also made for the companies to appeal from the findings of the valuator.

In the test case of the Nanaimo-Duncan Utilities, Mr. Justice J. O. Wilson dismissed the appeal on the preliminary objection that the commission had not appealed from the effective findings of the valuator and he had no jurisdiction to hear the appeal.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by the commission from Mr. Justice Wilson's finding, on the ground that it was not appealable, a minority of the Appeal Court judges expressing the view that Mr. Justice Wilson's order was erroneous.

Involved in the action of the Legislature is a possible more than \$1,000,000. The valuator had set the value of the properties of the three companies at \$5,688,000, while the commission had contended that the properties were worth only \$4,500,000.

Voting Anomalies To Be Investigated

A couple of anomalies in the Provincial Elections Act were brought to the attention of the Legislature Monday.

Opposition Leader Harold E. Winch told of a Japanese wife of a Canadian soldier not being able to vote although Japanese veterans of the World War may vote.

Lands and Forests Minister E. T. Kenney told of an even more peculiar situation: A girl born and raised in the province had married a Swede who on being naturalized, was able to vote. The girl, who had taken the original nationality of her husband was not able to vote.

Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismer said he would look into the questions.

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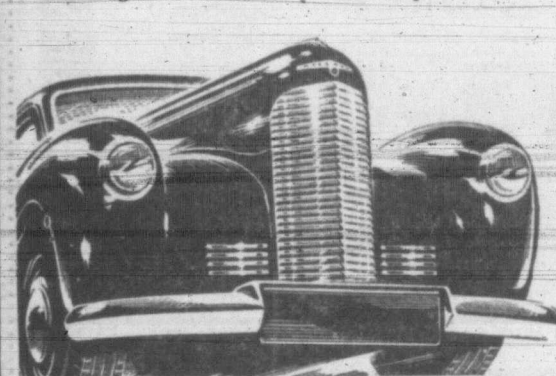
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## Victoria's Gardens In Colorful Bloom



Mrs. Logan Mayhew, pictured in a corner of her garden on Beach Drive, where the rockeries are a mass of purple and yellow bloom this Spring Garden Festival week.

## Netherlands Ambassador Honored At Government House Luncheon

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Charles A. Banks entertained with a luncheon today at Government House, in honor of Dr. J. H. van Rijen, Netherlands Ambassador to Canada and Mrs. van Rijen. Covers were laid for 12. Dr. van Rijen and Mrs. van Rijen came to the Pacific coast by plane on Sunday and have already been extensively entertained in Vancouver. They return to the mainland city today and will be guests tonight at a dinner at the North Vancouver home of Mr. George D. Andrews, American consul, and Mrs. Andrews. Wednesday afternoon, Dr. and Mrs. van Rijen will be guests of honor at a tea for members of the Netherlands colony, held by Jonkheer F. Coenen van's Gravesloot, Netherlands consul, and Mrs. van's Gravesloot, who later will be dinner hosts in their honor.

Mrs. J. T. Ross has returned to her home on Granite Street following a short visit in Vancouver at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Hicks, Park Drive. While on the mainland she attended the McWhinney-McLean wedding Wednesday evening.

Recent afternoon tea guests at Les Charmilles, East Saanich Road, Elk Lake, have been Mrs. E. A. Lawson, Miss Anne Broderick, Miss Margaret Gray, Victoria; Mrs. H. Craig, London, Ont.; Mrs. M. L. Armstrong, Montreal; Mrs. Fawcett Taylor, Vancouver; Hon. Mabel L. Thacker, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hunt, Montreal; Jean Pierre Bigotte, Paris, France; and Leon G. Backer, Brussels, Belgium. Les Charmilles has just recently been opened at the tea hour by Count and Countess de la Hite.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Baker, 3720 Craigmillar Avenue, entertained Saturday evening at their home in honor of Mr. Baker's sister and niece, Miss P. M. Baker and Miss Joan Baker, and of Mr. F. Warrington, who came recently from London, Eng., to make their home in Victoria. During the evening, piano and violin selections were given by Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cartwright and refreshments were served at a table centred with an arrangement of daffodils. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. A. & Robins, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gorewood, and Mrs. L. Wilkins.

Miss Doreen Parker, the future Mrs. Douglas Edward Gregg, was honored at a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. S. Bentley and Mrs. H. Cousins at the home of the latter, 850. Cormorant Street. In keeping with the color scheme in the room, an umbrella concealing the gifts was decorated with pink and green crepe paper. Miss Parker received a corsage bouquet of red carnations and violets, and her mother, Mrs. Helen E. Parker, received narcissi and pink stocks in corsage. Guests included Mrs. J. McNeil, Mrs. J. Warren, Mrs. A. J. Gregg, Mrs. H. Hollet and the Misses Joy Wilkinson, Nancy Williamson, Jean Derry, Pat Coulter, Marguerite Estridge, Marie Wood, Lois Foster, Dot Millar and Jean Parker.

## Heirloom Lace Handkerchief Carried At Monday Wedding

An heirloom lace handkerchief, carried by her great-grandmother at her wedding, and by succeeding generations of the family, was carried yesterday evening by Marjorie Ann McAlpine as she became the bride of Lorne Frederick Shandley.

Rev. George Biddle and Rev. G. D. Kendall officiated at the ceremony in St. John's Church which united in marriage the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh G. McAlpine, Prospect Lake, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Shandley, 706 Pine Street.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, chose a wedding gown of ivory satin with shawl collar and tight fitting bodice finished with tiny buttons. Yoke sleeves tapered to points at her wrists, and the full skirt extended into a slight train.

A veil of embroidered tulle hung from a coronet of pearls and cascaded the length of the train. She carried a bouquet of red and white carnations and wore the groom's gift of a three-strand pearl necklace.

Mrs. David H. McAlpine, as matron of honor for her sister-in-law, was gowned in turquoise blue sheer, with matching picture hat. Her flowers were pink and white carnations.

Mrs. Wilf Cartwright was vocal soloist and sang "Thou Art Lovely as a Flower." Robert Shandley was best man for his brother, and serving as ushers were Pete Barry and David H. McAlpine.

A reception was held in Terry's Rose Room, where Mrs. McAlpine and Mrs. Shandley welcomed the 150 guests who came to congratulate the young couple, a three-tier wedding cake was decorated with blue-birds and topped by a miniature bride and groom, David Evans proposed the

## Wives Accompany Husbands To Conference In City



Left to right, Mrs. Robert E. Landwehr, Mrs. Michael Dederer, Mrs. Edward W. Allen and Mrs. Charles B. Lindeman are among the large coterie of wives who accompanied delegates to the Pacific Northwest Trade Association conference in Victoria. While their menfolk attended an all-day session Monday, they visited Victoria shops, went on conducted tours of the city and were guests at afternoon tea at Government House.

## Women's Clubs Active At Lake Cowichan

A new women's club has been formed at Honeycomb Bay, Lake Cowichan, and named the Honeycomb Bay Women's Club. Officers were named as follows: President, Mrs. George Scroggie; vice-president, Mrs. Gordon Leask; treasurer, Mrs. Clifford Reeves; secretary, Miss Pearl Butterfield; program convener, Mrs. Winston Harvey; social representative, Mrs. Ambrose Payne.

At Mesachie Lake, the Mesachie Women's Club held a guest tea in the community hall, when articles for the forthcoming bazaar to be held this Thursday were on display.

Stalls of sewing, knitting, fancy work and cooked foods have been planned and afternoon tea will be served. Proceeds will be used to equip the new community hall and also for more equipment for the children's playground.

## Girl Guide Notes

Second Victoria East-Brownies of First Victoria Pack were guests of Second Victoria-East Guide Company, along with parents and friends, who were invited to attend. Highlight of the evening was the presentation of their wings to Brownies Lillian Houston and Barbara Hawkes by Mrs. D. Abraham, Brown Owl. Brownie Audrey Scott walked up to the guide company, and three Brownies were welcomed into the company by patrol leaders Joan Orton and Leona Wilkinson. Following the flying-up ceremony, Mrs. Keith MacDougall, district commissioner, conducted an enrollment ceremony, and Myrna Smith received her pin. Several silver stars were presented along with a second-class badge and two proficiency badges. Games were played and the evening was brought to a close around a campfire.

## Mrs. Rolston Speaks At Toronto Meeting

TORONTO (CP)—Women will have to change their attitude toward women in politics, Mrs. Tilly Jean Rolston of Vancouver last night told a meeting designed to get women interested in party politics.

Sponsored by the Progressive Conservatives, it was well-attended as a similar C.C.F. gathering last week, with women showing their mettle in their questioning of speakers.

To women who object that politics are "dirty," Mrs. Rolston advised: "If we want to get a clean government, we want to help with it."

Other speakers included Hilda Hesson of Winnipeg, national chairman of the Women's Dominion Progressive Conservative Association, and Mrs. H. C. Smiley, Moose Jaw, provincial president of Progressive Conservative women in Saskatchewan.

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## V.O.N. National Meeting Biggest In Order's History

OTTAWA (CP)—Some 400 delegates from across Canada are attending the two-day annual meeting of the Victoria Order of Nurses commenced here this morning, and which also marks the golden anniversary of the Order's 50 years of service in the Dominion.

Officials at V.O.N. headquarters said today it promises to be the largest annual meeting in the history of the Order.

Health Minister Martin will be among the guests attending the anniversary banquet tonight.

Guest speaker at the Wednesday luncheon will be Dr. Baruch Silverman, assistant professor of psychiatry and director of the Mental Hygiene Institute of McGill University, Montreal.

Presentation of the prizes to the winners of the V.O.N. National Poster and Picture Contests will be made during the meeting. The contests were held in connection with the Order's anniversary, and judges included H. O. McCurry, director of the National Art Gallery; Tom Wood, head artist of the exhibition commission; Trade and Commerce Department; John Ritchie, head of the Film Board's Graphics Division.

First prize in the poster contest went to Florent Fournier of The School of Graphic Arts, Montreal. First prize in the picture contest went to Ethel Irwin of Gananogue, Ont.

ORDER'S GROWTH  
The Victoria Order of Nurses was founded in 1897 by Lady Aberdeen and in 50 years has grown to 104 branches, spread across Canada from coast to coast. Approximately 500 Victorian Order nurses make nearly 1,000,000 visits a year and it is only because of the shortage of nurses that the Order has not expanded even more.

After 50 years the Order has a long and colorful story behind it which closely follows the growth and history of Canada itself. The highlights include the Victorian Order's work during the Halifax disaster, the trek of Victorian Order nurses to the Yukon in 1898.

But the biggest story still is told in the statistics of visits—nearly 1,000,000 a year, 40 per cent for medical and surgical care in the home and the remainder for health supervision.

## Stageettes To Meet At Kelowna In May

Miss Jean Thompson, president, Victoria Stageette Club, has been named delegate to the annual district convention of Stageette Clubs to be held in Kelowna, the week-end of May 24.

Announcement was made at the last meeting of the club that as part of the club's child welfare project, a parcel of old clothing and toys was recently sent to the Maldstone Street School in London, England.

In addition, Victoria Stageettes plan to aid the children of Victoria by purchasing equipment for a play lot on Opal Street. To realize funds for this project the club is sponsoring a "Little Foxes" on May 21.

Miss Enid Dennison, former member of the Vernon Stageette Club was welcomed as a new member.

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## Club Calendar

St. David's-by-the-Sea Women's Guild, kitchen shower and tea, Wednesday, at home of Mrs. S. McMaster, Walema Avenue, at 2.30. Proceeds to help furnish new church kitchen.



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## District Governor On Official Visit



Miss Veva Johnson, second from left, on her first official visit to Victoria, officiated at the candlelight initiation ceremony following Victoria Quota Club banquet yesterday evening, and complimented members of the new chapter for work they had undertaken in their first year. Others in the picture are, left to right, Miss Hilda Pearce, Mrs. Winnifred Rayfuse, M.B.E., president; Dr. E. Mahaffey and Mrs. Edith Wilkes.

Officers of the Quota Club of Victoria during its second year of existence were installed yesterday evening by Miss Veva Johnson of Spokane, governor of district 14 of Quota International following the annual banquet in the Princess Charlotte Room at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Winnifred Rayfuse, M.B.E., will again be president of the club, with Mrs. Edith Wilkes and Miss Hilda Pearce assisting as first and second vice-presidents. Secretaries are Miss Kay Downing, recording, and Miss Gypsy Mahaffey, corresponding, and Miss Betty Trimmer will be treasurer.

Four directors are Mrs. Frances Patsall, Dr. Henrietta Anderson, Mrs. Winnifred Pearce and Miss Robble Gall.

Organized less than a year ago, Victoria Quotarians have already

started a girls club and have assisted in raising money for a proposed home for senior citizens of the city.

They are also planning to provide a hut at some summer camp so that senior citizens with limited funds may enjoy a holiday.

Dr. C. E. Mahaffey, a member of the club, spoke briefly of the increasingly important role of women in India, where she practiced for six years, since education has been provided for them.

"Until recently the great majority of the women were purposely kept illiterate so that they could never raise themselves to be the equals of the male population," she pointed out.

"But now in government high schools they are being taught to do everything a western girl can do."

"They are being prepared for colleges and universities, where

a great many of them study medicine. They become fully qualified doctors, perform operations and do everything that a European doctor does. A great many of them," she continued, "are in charge of mission hospitals, others are in public health work and obstetrics."

"Unlike western women, Indian women prefer women doctors," she said, "and won't go to a man unless absolutely necessary."

"With education, Indian women are becoming more and more on a par with men," she concluded, "this breaking through of Indian women will be one of the greatest upheavals the world has ever known."

Another member of the club, Miss Florence Phillimore, was piano soloist, and Miss Doris Heggie was guest vocalist.

Miss Roberts, matron of the D.V.A. Hospital, was a special guest of the club.

**Y.P. Societies**

Baptist Union—The Young Peoples' Union of First Baptist Church recently welcomed members of Emmanuel and Douglas Street Baptist Young Peoples' Unions to their regular meeting, which was conducted as a "Camp Night." A dialogue describing studies, sports, scenery and the spirit of fellowship which is

found at the young peoples' camps on Keats Island, was read by Miss G. Phillips, L. Hanington, Ian Brand and Miss M. Orr. A short sing-song and prayer service took place and a candle light worship service ending with a fireside talk by Rev. G. R. Easter. Refreshments were served. Mrs. S. Ralph acted as the evening's accompanist.

**Engagements**

Announcements to appear under this heading will be accepted at the Times Advertising Department. Minimum charge \$1.50 for 10 lines and the for each additional line.

Mr. and Mrs. John Paxton, 1160 Pandora Avenue, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Audrey Velma, to Gordon Edward Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walsh, 316 Douglas Street. The wedding will take place on May 15, 1948, at 7:30 p.m., in Christ Church Cathedral.

**Clubwomen's News**

**Primrose Lodge**—Mrs. A. J. Brown presided at the meeting of Lodge Primrose Lodge No. 32, Daughters of England, held in the K. of P. Hall, when excellent reports were received of both the rummage sale and the primrose tea. After the meeting, the annual memorial service was held. A drill practice is called for May 4 at 2 o'clock in the hall.

**Flower Show**—Royal Oak Women's Institute will hold its annual flower show on May 5 in the Institute Hall. Mrs. G. R. Pearkes will open the show at 2:30 and Mrs. John Maltwood.

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## Canadian Scottish Women's Auxiliary, Final Report

The Women's Auxiliary to the Canadian Scottish Regiment concluded activities earlier this spring, after eight years of continuous work in supplying comforts to the men of the regiment and their families.

Complete final reports showed that the total sum of money raised during the eight years was \$27,077.81. Included in this amount was \$14,686.78 from a Scottish gift house drive, \$4,005.50 from the Scottish Comforts Fund, \$1,723.56 at a Tartan Tag Day, \$2,330 in a Welcome Home Fund, \$2,046.40 from sale of match folders, and \$2,285.57 from private donations and membership fees.

Woolen garments sent to the men of the regiment totaled 8,223, with 300 windproof jerkins, 2,020,000 cigarettes, 312 pounds of tobacco and many other articles, including handkerchiefs, candy, tooth powder, razor blades and packets of hot chocolate.

In addition, approximately 300 pounds of Christmas cake and 50 pounds of cookies were sent annually; four monthly parcels to the regimental chaplain for distribution to those men in the regiment who did not receive parcels from private sources; layettes for all babies born to British wives of men of the Canadian Scottish Regiment, and shipments of cigarettes to Canadian Scottish wounded in hospitals overseas and on the field of battle.

**FURNISH SOLARIUMS**

Final project was the furnishing of the four solariums at the Veterans' Hospital, as a permanent memorial to all who served in the Canadian Scottish throughout two wars and the placing of memorial plaques in each solarium.

Two separate organizations, the women's auxiliaries to the first and second battalions of the regiment, both formed in the autumn of 1939, commenced the comfort work. In the summer of 1940 these two groups amalgamated, the better to serve the regiment.

With one battalion overseas, it became necessary to give serious thought to the financing of the great amount of work with which the auxiliary was faced, and it was at that time the greatest money-raising effort was launched—the Scottish Gift House—with a ticket-selling campaign of three months.

Half the proceeds from that effort was given to the Lord Mayor's Fund for the bombed peoples of Britain.

Many smaller projects were also undertaken, including silver teas, raffles, imaginary bake sales and treasure trails.

The auxiliary work was supported also by groups of untiring women in other parts of Vancouver Island, including sub-auxiliaries in Nanaimo and Chemainus, who, though working independently, co-ordinated their work with that of the Victoria group.

Work of the auxiliary was varied and grew with the passing years. Besides supplying comforts to the regiment family welfare, hospital visiting, an annual Christmas party for families of the regiment, assistance to other local organizations for tag days and co-operation with the Red Cross Society in connection with work for the repatriated, blood bank, prisoner-of-war fund—all were included in the program.

There were 80 members in the group at the beginning and throughout the war years, dwindling in the last year until at the final meeting there were just 20 members present.


**Work Sale At Duncan**

A successful sale of work was held by members of the Catholic Women's League of St. Edward's Church, Duncan. Mrs. Jules Weicker, president of the league, was general convener; Mrs. G. Marchmont was in charge of a plant and flower stall; Mrs. A. Quessel, tea arrangements; Mrs. J. Brear, Mrs. F. Harwood and Mrs. G. Davies, apfons; Mrs. G. Alexander, Mrs. J. Martin and Mrs. A. Boudage, cooked foods, and Mrs. W. Mottishaw, children's wear.

Fine particles of broken glass can be picked up with damp cotton, which will protect fingers from tiny cuts.

## What Everybody should know about CANCER

**Learn to Recognize**



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### Dominion Bridge Bid Lowest For Road Span

tender for the construction of a 134-foot steel arch bridge over Moyie River near Yahl. The firm tendered to build the bridge for \$39,617. Only other bid submitted was

that of Western Bridge and Steel Fabricators Ltd., \$41,870. The proposed bridge is on the Southern Trans-Provincial Highway route in the Cranbrook district.

A letter from the Queen's private secretary, Buckingham Palace, was received this morning by Mrs. Dorothy Abraham, 1125 Faithful Street, thanking

her for a copy of her recently published book, "Romantic Vancouver Island," which she had forwarded to Their Majesties as a gift for their silver wedding anniversary.

### Students Tell Club Of Stadium Project At City High School

Details concerning the proposed Memorial Stadium for Victoria High School were outlined to members of the Gryo Club at their meeting Monday by John Gault and Jim Henning, senior students of the school.

It is planned, Mr. Gault said, to erect the stadium as two separate units—one as a grandstand, the other as a bleacher—on the west side of the school, facing the rugby grounds. Both units will be constructed of reinforced concrete and will, together, provide seating accommodation for 1,100 persons.

The stadium will stand as a practical memorial to former students of Victoria High School who fought and died in World War II, he said. Idea of building the stadium was conceived by 12 war-veteran teachers at the school, but is being carried out by the students.

Mr. Henning outlined financial aspects of building the stadium. It will cost somewhere in the neighborhood of \$20,000, he said. To date, \$2,000 has been found and earmarked by students for building fund. Many inside-the-school activities have been held to help finance the undertaking, he noted.

Students are hopeful, he continued, that the major part of the required sum will be subscribed by citizens during a city canvass by students next week.

**"OPEN-HOUSE" NIGHT**  
To further publicize the canvass, an "open-house" night will be held at the high school Monday evening at 8.15 to which all interested persons are invited. An amateur contest will be presented by students on this occasion.

On the same evening, a five-mile relay road race, in which runners from the four school houses will participate, is to be held.

The speakers were introduced to club members by Archie McKinnon, physical director of the Y.M.C.A., who said that a project as being undertaken by the high school students "was long overdue."

A similar viewpoint was taken by Denis Humphries, who thanked the speaker.

Bill Bond, club president, informed the students, the Gryo Club would give its full support to the campaign, and was considering undertaking to lay a cinder track around the school's rugby field which would be used for track events.

### English Children Thank Canadian Soldiers For Toys

A group of seven-year-old pupils of St. Gabriel's School, Bristol, Eng., recently wrote to Mrs. J. R. Eden, honorary director of the Children's World Community Chest. Without exception, the letters said: "Thank you for sending us all the lovely toys..."

Last week from Ottawa, copies of the letters, together with many similar "thank you" notes from the Lord Mayors of numerous British cities, were being distributed to the various command headquarters of the Canadian Army.

The toys to which the children referred were part of a large shipment of 81 cases sent overseas at Christmas by the army. All the toys had been made by Canadian soldiers in army hobby shops during spare-time hours.

In all, underprivileged British children received more than 3,200 toys from the Canadian Army. Freight expenses connected with the shipment in Canada were paid by the Canadian Red Cross.

At the present time plans are being made to produce an even greater number of toys this year in army hobby shops if the soldiers get the "go ahead" on the scheme. The toys would be collected and shipped in time for distribution next Christmas. Local division of the army has done its bit in this effort, during the last few years.

### 365 Dogs Killed At Pound In Year

A dog a day died in the gas chamber of the city pound in 1947.

This fact is contained in a report submitted to City Council today by the poundkeeper's department.

Of 516 canines taken into custody during the year, 365 were "put to sleep," the report states. Twenty-one were sold and 130 were redeemed.

The number of cats destroyed at the pound in the 12-month period was 372.

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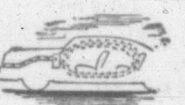
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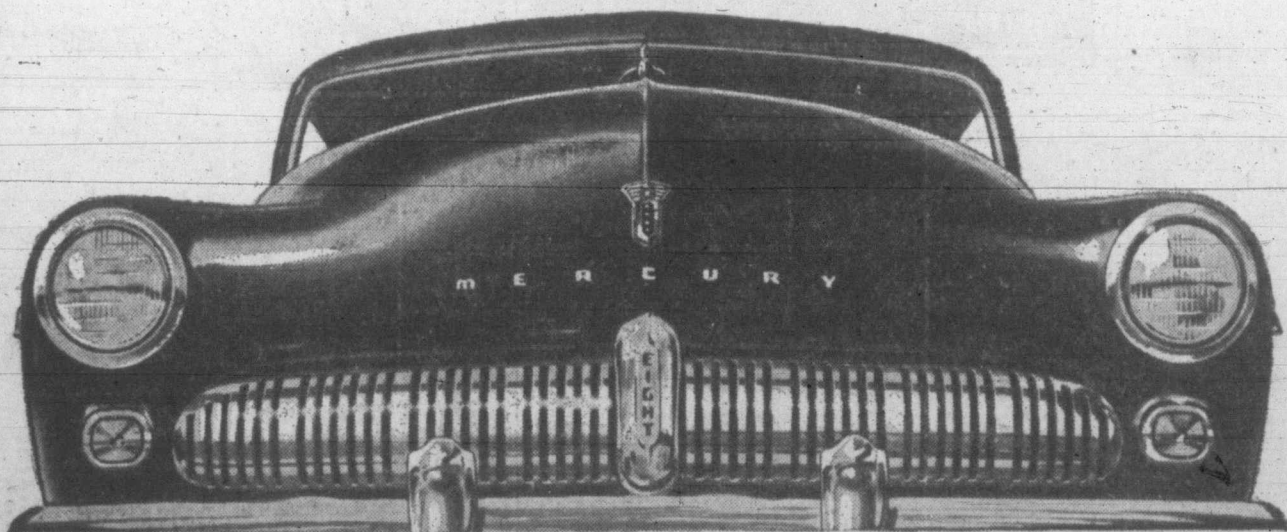


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—Women's Dresses, Second Floor

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#### Boys' Pullovers

Regular 1.95 for 1.00. Washable cotton pullovers with "V" neck and long sleeves. Medium and large in navy, blue and wine.

#### Boys' Pullovers

Regular 2.25 for 1.00. Sleeveless style in all wool. Green and gold checks, plain brown in medium and large sizes.

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### Men's Cotton Half Hose

Flat knit cotton half hose, regularly priced at 50c a pair. Blue, wine, green, brown, sizes 10 to 11 1/2. Special, pair 35c or 3 pairs 1.00.

#### MEN'S SPORTS SHIRTS

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—Tobacco, Street Floor

### Notions Dept.!

SACHETS Clearance of delicately made sachets in sweet scents. Regular 50c for 9c.

LAUNDRY BAGS White cotton with drawstring closing, reinforced seams. Reg. 98c for 59c.

SLEEVE BOARDS For ironing sleeves, baby clothes, etc. Two surfaces. Reg. 1.25 for 89c.

SUN GLASSES Inflex tone lenses. Gives perfect vision. Regular 49c for 39c.

—Notions, Street Floor

### Drug Dept.!

BRUSHES Special clearance of fine quality hair brushes. Black bristle or nylon bristle types. Reg. 1.50, 1.65, 1.69 for 79c.

MEN'S FITTED CASES Pouch or purse types in good quality leather with alkalin lining. Snap or zipper closings. Regular 7.25 to 12.50 for 2.45.

SHAVING BOWLS Hard, fast-lathering soap in wooden mug. Regular 1.25 for 79c.

MOTH CRYSTALS 16-oz. tin of moth crystals, reg. 49c for 39c.

—Drugs, Street Floor

### Dress Goods Remnants

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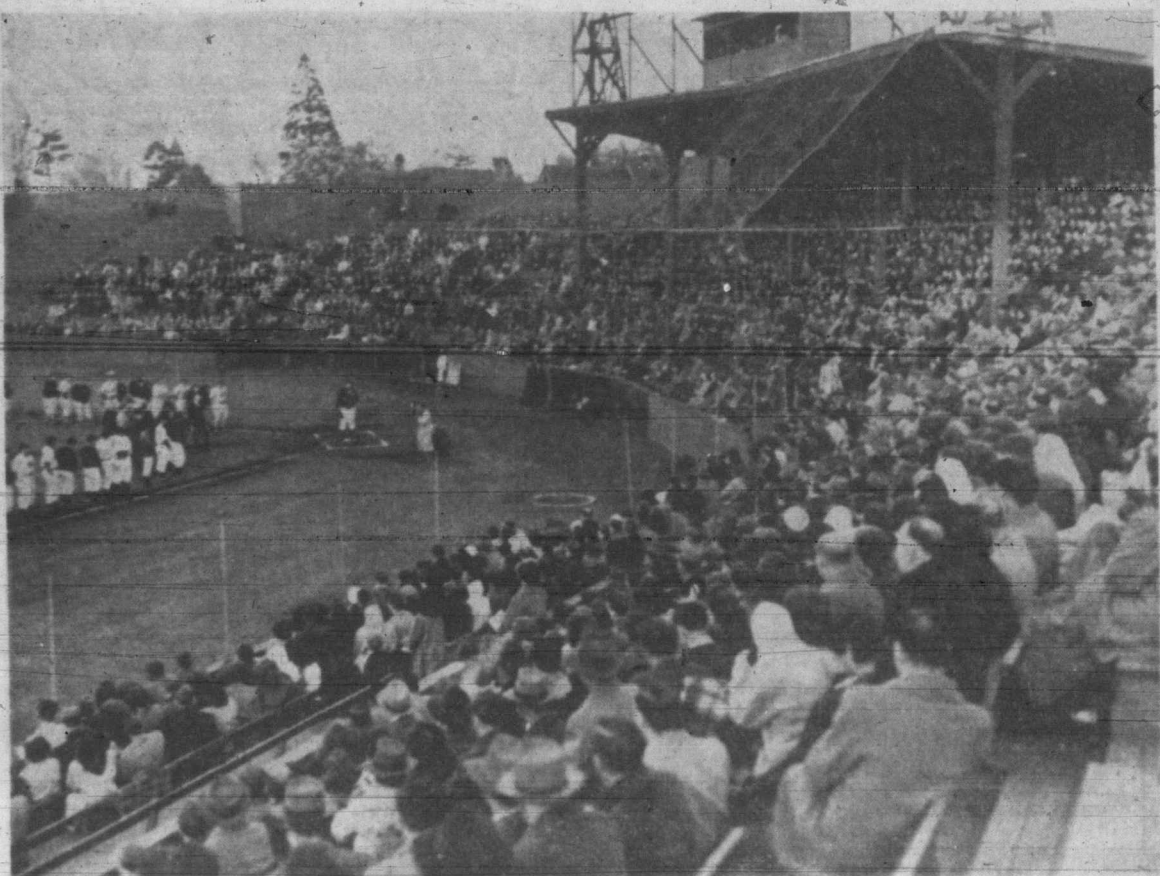
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# 4,000 Turn Out For Opening Of Local W.I.L. Baseball Campaign



Despite the chilly temperature, Victorians got the Western International League season off to another rousing opening at Athletic Park last night. Players of the Spokane Indians and Victoria Athletics are being introduced to the fans during pre-game ceremonies.



Robert Abel of Tacoma, president of the W.I.L., takes a lusty swing at the ball as Alderman Frank Mulliner handles the catching duties and Hon. W. T. Straith, Minister of Education, officiates as umpire. Attorney-General Gordon Wismer tossed the first ball.

## Leafs In Wholesale Trades To Fill Gaps

TORONTO (CP)—Even before the names of his latest Stanley Cup championship team were engraved on the remodeled trophy, president Conny Smyth of Toronto Maple Leafs yesterday announced a series of deals involving 13 hockey players and several leagues.

The deals were staged to fill the gaps left by the retirement of two Toronto National Hockey League stars—Captain Syl Apps and Nick Metz.

No money was involved in the trades which paralleled the famous "five-for-two" one in which Leafs got dippy-doodle Max Bentley from Chicago Black Hawks.

Most important move, made after a week of conferences with officials in six leagues, was the trading of defenceman Wally Stanowski and Elwyn Morris to New York Rangers in exchange for Cal Gardner, Rene Trudel, Bill Juzda and amateur Frankie Mathers of the Allan Cup finalist Ottawa Senators.

In connection with the same deal, Leafs gave up playing rights to amateur Orville Lavall, who played with Lethbridge Native Sons this year, in exchange for rights to amateur Bruce McMurray, on the St. Paul Farm list of Rangers.

In the second deal, Smyth traded Gordon Bell, Armand Lemieux, Leo Curik and Rod Roy to Springfield Indians for centre Eldred Joubert.

Stanowski, 29-year-old native of Winnipeg, has played six years with Leafs, starting in 1939. He has been a fixture ever since except for two years spent in the R.C.A.F.

Stanowski's status with To-

ronto has been a subject of controversy the last two seasons, and recently Smyth said the defenceman was a fixture with Leafs. Stanowski, however, preferred the opportunity of becoming a regular with Rangers to staying with Leafs as a fifth defenceman.

### SATISFIED WITH MOVE

"I'm satisfied," he said. "I like the idea of going to New York, but I'll miss the boys."

Morris, 27, and a native of Toronto, graduated to Leafs from Toronto Marlboro juniors in 1943, staying with the club until the 1945-46 season when he was sent to the Pittsburgh Hornets of the A.H.L.

Gardner, 27-year-old centre, who was born at Transcona, Man., has been with Rangers for three seasons. He probably will take Syl Apps' spot between Bill Ezinicki and Harry Watson.

Winnipeg-born Bill Juzda, 27, entered the N.H.L. in 1940 and is expected to replace Morris at Pittsburgh.

Mathers, 22, will play with Leafs' Toronto Marlboro senior farm club if he fails to make the grade as a pro.

All players involved in the second deal played with different clubs last season. Kobussen was a standout with Springfield. He played amateur with Saskatoon navy and turned pro with Buffalo in 1943.

Goalie Gord Bell was on loan to Washington last season after four years in the Toronto set-up. Armand Lemieux played with Pittsburgh last year. Curik with Marlboro seniors, and Roy with Toronto St. Michael's junior B team.

## Langford Softball Teams Defeated

Opening games of the softball season took place at Langford Sunday with the home teams dropping both games.

Langford senior men bowed to Blue Bird Cubs, 17 to 13, while the girls dropped an 8 to 4 decision to New Method of the city league.

## Clover Leafs Seek Western Title

WINNIPEG (CP)—The western Canada cage final between Vancouver Clover Leafs and Winnipeg Paulins provided two of the men connected with the clubs with an opportunity today to talk over the old days when they were prisoner-of-war buddies.

Playing-coach Ralph (Hunk) Henderson of Clover Leafs and secretary Jack Meyers of Paulins last saw one another in July 1943. At the time the Germans were in the process of transferring Meyers to another prison camp because of two escape attempts.

Henderson and Meyers are both former R.C.A.F. men who were shot down within two days of each other over Germany in 1941. In parachuting from his

bullet-riddled plane Henderson broke his back and spent a long term in sick bay. Both men played on a prison camp cage team that captured a "championship" in competition with teams from the United States, Britain, Poland and Czechoslovakia.

After Meyers was transferred, Henderson led sports activities at the camp. In 1945, however, he contracted meningitis and when the Germans retreated he was left behind to die. After five black days the advancing Russians took the camp and Henderson's life was saved.

### B.C. TEAM FAVORED

Henderson's Clover Leafs, who won the Canadian senior basketball crown last year as the Mer-

lomas, arrived here Sunday for the best-of-three series against Paulins. The British Columbian are regarded as favorites in the series which opens tonight.

Henderson refers to them as a "better balanced club than last year's" through the addition of three University of British Columbia grads—Ole Bakken, Harry Franklin and Ron Weber. Leafs were forced to leave behind their top sharpshooter, Sandy Robertson, who did not make the trip because of business reasons.

However, in Robertson's place they picked up a stalwart, Bob Pickel, six-foot, five-inch ace, who had started the season with the Leafs and then went to Portland to finish his schooling.

## Port Arthur Scores One-Sided Victory

TORONTO (CP)—Port Arthur West End Bruins have made it clear that Barrie coach Hap Emms wasn't lulling them into any false sense of security after the first game of the Memorial Cup final when he lamented that "we can't come back."

The scrappy, snappy Bruins last night showed 11,828 fans their first victory was no fluke as they pinned a humiliating 8 to 1 defeat on Barrie Flyers to take a two-game lead in the best-of-seven series for the Canadian junior hockey championship. They scored a 10 to 8 victory in the first game Saturday.

Only in the first 10 minutes of the first period were Flyers able to match the Bruins. After that brief flurry they dropped back and the western champions rode roughshod.

Barrie started in good style and hemmed in the lakehead forwards with their speed and aggressiveness. Bruins, however, soon came back and out-skated, outplayed and outbumped Flyers who left the ice a well-beaten team.

The easterners opened the scoring in just a little more than six minutes of play but Bruins led 5 to 1 at the end of the first period. They added one goal in the middle session and two more in the third period while holding Flyers scoreless.

### LEWICKI STAR

Shifty Danny Lewicki was the sparkplug for Bruins. Both he and Dave Creighton scored two goals and received one assist.

Robbie Wrightsall, Fred Baccari, Bob Fero and Alfie Childs each scored once for the western team. Wrightsall was playing in place of Bill Johnson who missed the game because of a bad knee.

The lone Barrie goal came at the 6:40 mark of the first period as Bruno Favero took Paul Meger's pass to beat goalie Lorne Chabot.

Flyers missed their star pivot man Jerry Reids, who suffered a torn ankle ligament in the opening game. He will not likely see action again until the fourth game Saturday. The third game is Wednesday night.

Body-checking and high-sticking was frequent but the big difference in play was the neat passing and positional play of the

Bruins once inside the Barrie blue line.

Another feature of the western champion's play was the work of two penalty-killing combinations. At one time in the second period, Bruins were playing four men to six and the trio of Lewicki, Pete Durham and Rudy Migay ragged the puck neatly to keep Flyers from threatening seriously.

Again in the third period, while Barrie again held a two-man advantage, Migay, Wolt and Durham allowed Barrie only two shots on goal in one minute and 10 seconds.

## Baseball Standings

W.I.L.	W.	L.	Pct.
Tacoma	4	2	.667
Vancouver	5	3	.625
Salem	4	3	.571
Yakima	5	4	.556
Spokane	6	6	.500
Wenatchee	4	5	.444
Victoria	3	6	.333
Bremerton	2	4	.333

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	6	2	.750
Washington	5	3	.625
St. Louis	3	3	.500
Philadelphia	4	3	.571
New York	3	3	.500
Boston	3	3	.500
Chicago	1	6	.143

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	6	2	.750
Philadelphia	5	3	.625
Cincinnati	4	3	.571
Pittsburgh	4	3	.571
St. Louis	3	3	.500
Chicago	3	3	.500
Boston	2	4	.333

### SOCCER PRACTICE

Canadian Legion senior soccer team will hold a practice at MacDonald Park tonight at 7.

## Y.M.C.A. Track And Field Workouts Commence Tonight

Y.M.C.A. track and field team will hold workouts at Victoria High School twice weekly beginning tonight at 6:15.

Under the watchful eye of coach Bruce Humber the squad of Olympic hopefuls will practice Tuesday and Thursday nights through the summer months.

Archie McKinnon "Y" physical director and former Olympic coach, will assist with the middle-distance men.

Emily Kaltenbach, Adrian Taylor, Nancy Andrus, Betty Craig, Dawn Josephs, Shirley Knowlton, Joan Whitlens, Elaine Silburn, Pat Fleming, Bill Turkington, Don Gill, Bruce Travers, Joe Isherwood, Cliff Salmon, Harry Mitchell, Rafael Duke, Don McNell, Spike Dalziel and Steve Rynski are to turn out.

Any others who are interested in track and field are also invited.

## Nice Mound Job

SPokane	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Vannell, cf	4	1	0	3	0	1
Nelson, 2b	4	1	1	2	3	0
Berrera, 3b	4	1	1	0	0	0
Wright, rf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Shirley, c	3	0	1	0	2	0
Thomas, 3b	3	0	1	1	3	0
Valine, cf	4	0	0	2	0	0
Petrilli, 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0
Werbowksi, p	0	1	0	0	0	0
Perry, p	2	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	22	4	6	24	10	1

VICTORIA	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Curmele, 2b	4	0	2	2	1	1
Kubiat, cf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Falmer, ss	4	1	2	3	0	0
Wilson, cf	4	2	3	0	0	0
Recca, c	4	2	2	5	0	0
Jensen, 3b	4	1	1	1	3	1
Balassi, rf	2	1	1	1	1	0
Jones, 1b	4	1	2	1	0	0
Owens, p	2	1	2	0	4	0
Totals	34	10	13	27	12	3

Score by Innings:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Spokane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Victoria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### BASEBALL PRACTICE

Pitzer and Nex senior baseball nine will hold practices at MacDonald Park tonight and Thursday at 6.

## Del Owens Hurls, Clouts A's To Victory In Baseball Opener

## Bleacher Bits

It was cold . . . And anyone who tries to tell you it wasn't must have come well fortified or belonged to the Eskimo family . . . That's the feeling nearly 4,000 baseball fans had following the opening home game of the W.I.L. season at Athletic Park last night.

Usual opening ceremonies started things off . . . Johnny Johnson, A's prexy, introduced the dignitaries . . . They included Attorney-General Gordon Wismer, league president Bob Abel of Tacoma, Alderman Frank Mulliner and the Hon. W. T. Straith, Minister of Education.

Wismer dished up the first ball which Abel smashed through shortstop . . . Mulliner, the first southpaw catcher to appear here, completed the battery with Straith calling 'em from behind the plate.

Umpire John Nenezich got his usual welcome while newcomer Bill Anderson, not yet known here, received the cheers . . . Rival managers, popular Buddy Ryan of Spokane, and big Ted Norbert, back for his third season with the A's introduced the players . . . Babe Jensen had the biggest hand until three-year man Joe Blankenship doffed his cap.

A's registered a few firsts in the game . . . Scoring the first run . . . Getting the first hit . . . Stealing the first base with 1946 Athletics Frank Cirimele doing the pilfering . . . And dubiously had the first strikeout . . . Wilson made the first sacrifice.

Spokane arrived with only 17 players as compared to Norbert's 23 . . . Ryan's squad is a team of veterans while the A's are relative youngsters . . . Mrs. E. J. Harris was in her usual box seat near the A's dugout . . . And all wrapped for the occasion too.

Slim Hewitt in his spotless white uniform had the infield in splendid shape . . . Outfield conditions were bad, however, due to the haze and the fact that one bank of lights above the stands blew out . . . The new screen in front of the left field bleachers served its purpose . . . No longer does the left fielder have to fight with souvenir hunting kids for possession of baseballs.

The new concession stands got a workout especially when the game was delayed for 15 minutes . . . Reason being Nenezich stopped a foul ball with his mask but the mask failed to hold . . . And the little man was cut about the face.

For just about the first time here the fans joined in with the seventh-inning song . . . Roy Simmons rendered the vocal lead of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," but good.

Chunky 190-pound right-hander named Del Owens, who stood out on the hill and threw baseballs like bullets led Victoria Athletics to a smashing 10 to 3 triumph over Manager Buddy Ryan's Spokane Indians in the 1948 Western International League local opener at Athletic Park Monday night before a chilled crowd of close to 4,000.

Victory moved the Athletics into a seventh-place tie with the idle Bremerton Bluejackets. The A's-Spokane engagement was the only game scheduled last night. Vancouver will get its W.I.L. opener tonight, entertaining Wenatchee.

Owens, showing all the poise of a veteran, threw hard all night but displayed a neat curve ball and change of pace as he tossed up a four-hitter. With airtight support Del could have come up with a shutout as the three runs scored off him in the third came after Babe Jensen bobbled on a chance to retire the side. Owens, who was really throwing an "aspirin" ball struck out five and walked four.

### HITTER TOO

In addition to his mound chore Owens played a leading role offensively. During a four-run Victoria rally in the second he singled home the second run and in the fifth contributed a long triple to right field to drive in another pair. Then in the seventh Owens, who played pro football for the New York Yankees, threw a real grid block on Nelson, Spokane second-sacker, to break up a possible double play and permit Babe Jensen to romp home from third.

All in all Owens had a big night and the crowd tendered him a rousing hand every time he stepped to the plate for his turn at bat.

Athletics picked up 13 hits from the combined offerings of Bill Werbowksi and Perry. Sharing hitting honors with Owens were second sacker Frankie Cirimele, outfielder Archie Wilson and catcher Sal Recca, each with a pair of hits.

When he pulled a leg muscle in the fifth inning, attempting to field a bunt, Werbowksi was forced to leave the game. He was charged with the defeat. Field was also held up in the fourth. Umpire John Nenezich suffered a badly cut lip when his mask broke on being hit hard by a

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## Schmeling Draws Criticism After Getting New Car

FRANKFURT (AP)—Max Schmeling was on the ropes today, pinned there by German newspapers.

What right did the former world heavyweight boxing champion have to get an almost-new automobile without a permit, the Frankfurter Rundschau wanted to know.

It takes months of waiting to get a permit for a new car in Germany these days. The Rundschau asserted Max got a "new" Opel sedan from the Opel plant near here. It quoted plant officials as saying the sedan was a second-hand job used previously as a test car.

"Doctors visit their patients by bicycle, journalists hunt their stories on foot, but Max Schmeling gets a new car without a permit. . . Now Max has his new car will he get permission to drive it, too?"

"According to the law, permission for driving can only be granted when there is public or economic interest," commented the newspaper.

Max could not be reached for comment.

## Juvenile Soccer Replay Saturday

The B.C. Juvenile Soccer Commission has ordered a replay of the B.C. third division final between Pacific Meat of Victoria and Calders of Vancouver it was announced by Herb Wetherell, manager of the local team, today.

Teams played to a 1 to 1 tie in Vancouver Saturday and Pacific Meat were awarded the cup when the Vancouver manager defaulted the scheduled replay game because of financial reasons.

However, the commission has ordered the game be played over again, the match to take place at Beacon Hill Park Saturday. Time will be announced later.

## Les Patrick Home For Summer Months

Leslie Patrick, vice-president of Madison Square Garden Corporation, accompanied by Mrs. Patrick, has arrived back in his home town from New York to spend the summer months.

Patrick will remain here until a meeting of the directors of the National Hockey League in the east in about six weeks following which he will return to stay until early in September.

## Hard Hitting Giants Get Smart Pitching

It may be only a flash in the pan, but New York Giants appear to have finally found that missing link — strong pitching — which added to their terrific batting power, can make the Polo Grounds the most feared outfit in baseball.

Combining the two yesterday, the Giants whipped Philadelphia Phils 5 to 1 for their fifth straight win. They now enjoy a game and a half first place lead in the National League pennant race.

Their airtight pitching has come from unexpected sources.

Take yesterday's masterful hurling of southpaw Dave Koslo, for instance. Manager Mel Ott had no assurance that Koslo would go the route, let alone pitch a seven-hitter and a near-shutout. The stocky left-hander had not gone more than four innings in each of his four exhibition game starts.

Not to be outdone, the Giants power hitters slammed starter Schoolboy Rowe and two successors for eight hits. Sid Gordon cracked a home run, the club's 10th in eight games. He also singled to drive in three runs.

Eddie Stanky wasted no time in convincing his former Brooklyn bosses that they made a mistake in trading him to the Braves last month. The scrappy little second baseman, in his first crack against his former teammates, slammed a triple and single and drew a walk in four times at bat to lead the Braves to a 5 to 0 victory over the Dodgers in Boston.

TIMELESS HOME RUN

In the American League, Cleveland Indians outlasted Chicago White Sox 12 to 11 in a 14-inning game. A home run by Eddie Robinson, his second of the game and third of the year, decided the contest.

Russ Christopher, sixth Indian hurler, was credited with the win. Earl Caldwell was charged with the loss.

Fred Sanford outpitched Dizzy Trout to give the Browns a 2 to 1 victory over Detroit Tigers in St. Louis. Sanford allowed nine hits to seven for Trout but was tighter in the pinches. The only run made off the Browns' right-hander was Bob Swift's fifth inning home run. Sanford brought in the deciding run when he doubled in the sixth and scored on Chuck Stevens' single.

In the only other scheduled contest, Boston Red Sox won the first night game of the season, defeating Senators 6 to 0 in Washington.

Lefty Mel Parnell limited the Senators to five hits while Boston collected 10 including three singles and a double by Ted Williams, defending batting champion.

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New York	5 1 0
Boston	2 1 0
Brooklyn	0 2 1
Baltimore	0 2 1
St. Louis	2 1 0
Washington	0 6 0
Chicago	11 12 0
Cleveland	12 11 0
Pittsburgh	1 2 0
St. Paul	1 2 0
San Francisco	1 2 0
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## Women's Softball Loop To Open May 4; Bays Drop Out

Opening games in the first division of the Women's Softball League will take place at Central Park and at Sidney May 4, it was announced today by Wally Yeamans of the committee of team managers.

Adverts will meet Eagles in the city clash at Central Park with Army and Navy Taxi traveling to Sidney for the other game. Games start at 6:30.

Other entries received at last night's meeting were Spencers, Langford Athletic Club, J. H. and E. New Method and Toppers in the second division. The latter team is composed of members of the Victoria Girls' Drill Team.

Entered in the junior league are Hotshots, Sidney Merchants, Goblins and Esquimaux.

CHAMPIONS OUT

One of the big surprises of the meeting was the absence of a

## Old Bobo Newsom Pitching For Kind Of Club He Likes

NEW YORK (AP)—Bobo Newsom smiled as he looked out the clubhouse window. Down below his New York Giant mates were hitting home runs. Even if it was only batting practice, it was a pleasant sight.

"That's the kind of a club to pitch for," said the grand old man. "I never saw any better hitting club and I've seen lots of ball teams."

Newsom's meanderings around the baseball map have taken him to nine different major league clubs. He was in Washington four times, in St. Louis with the Browns three times and twice in Brooklyn. Now he belongs to the executive circle of those who have played with the Giants, Dodgers and Yanks.

It was a day off for Bobo who pitched Sunday in Boston. He pitched good ball, too, until he pulled a muscle trying to run from first base to second.

"Just a day or two and I'll be all right," he said. "I'll take my regular turn, I hope."

Bobo, never a stickler for spring training routine, missed the entire program this year. He never faced a batter until he walked out on Braves Field to oppose a team that many think can win the National League pennant.

Newsom has established himself as a regular starter in Giant manager Mel Ott's scheme of things. There's only one trouble with his success. Some smart club owner is going to get the idea that all the players might be able to get along without any spring training.

## Tag Team Wrestling On Display Saturday

Tag team wrestling will make its first appearance at the Armories Saturday night.

Fans who during the past two weeks have shown that they want plenty of fast action will certainly get it in tag team wrestling.

Two men open the match with their partners standing outside the ring on the apron.

If either of the contestants starts to tire or feels he needs a respite from the heavy going he goes to his corner, tags his partner and a fresh man enters the ring.

This should give the fans plenty of action. Sometimes, however, by a misunderstanding all four men get in the ring and then the fun really starts.

Complete card will be released later in the week.

## C.A.H.A. Elects President; Rejects N.H.L. Proposal

TORONTO (CP)—Delegates to the annual meeting of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association meeting here were scheduled to elect a new slate of officers at today's concluding session.

George Panter, president of the Ontario Hockey Association, and Azarie Choquette, president of the Quebec Amateur Hockey Association, have been mentioned as possible nominees for the post of president.

Norman Dawe of Montreal, who died last winter, was the logical man to be accepted by the delegates as the new president. Since his death the C.A.H.A. has been combing its ranks in search of a man to fill the post held last year by Al Pickard of Regina.

Panter, heavily favored in lobby discussions, is said to be acceptable to western delegates. But the east, particularly Quebec province, is said to be hoping a Quebec man would head the association.

GRIMSON MENTIONED

Another possibility is Doug Grimson of New Westminster.

Yesterday the C.A.H.A. rejected efforts by the National Hockey League to have the association adopt a team-player contract plan proposed by the N.H.L.

The plan would eliminate the \$31,000 paid annually to the C.A.H.A. by the N.H.L. in return for a straight cash deal for senior amateur players turning professional. The N.H.L. offered to pay amateur teams \$5,000 for each player while the American Hockey League would have added \$3,500.

Pickard said the plan "would be tabled for further exploration" on the recommendation of the contract committee.

A proposal by William Northey of Montreal, a life member, that the C.A.H.A. delete the word "amateur" from the organization's name and the Allan Memorial Cups be retired from competition, was rejected by the more than 100 delegates.

## Portland Golfers Qualify For P.G.A.

SPOKANE (AP)—Ed Hogan and Larry Lamberger, both of Portland, won berths in the National Professional Golfers Association tournament in a sectional qualifying tournament Monday.

Hogan clipped three strokes off par for the Spokane Country Club course to post the low score, 72-69-141. Lamberger had 72-76-148, one stroke ahead of Charles Congdon of Tacoma.

Ed (Porky) Oliver, Seattle, who won a national tourney berth by placing second in last year's P.G.A. tournament, shot a hole-in-one and a 10-under-par 134 by way of demonstration.

Others who tried and failed to win one of the two northwest places in the national tourney included Al Zimmerman, Portland, 151.

## Vancouver Marksman On Bisley Squad

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's 1948 Bisley team, which will go to England next summer to compete in the Bisley meet, was announced today.

The 20-man delegation will consist of Lt.-Col. H. Spoman of Ottawa, commandant; Capt. A. G. Gunter of Saint John, N.B., adjutant, and 18 shooting members who placed among the best shots at the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association meet at nearby Cootes Paradise last summer.

Personnel of the team, as announced today by Col. R. J. Birtwhistle of Ottawa, secretary of the D.C.R.A., included two westerners.

They are CSM W. E. George of Winnipeg and Lieut. A. D. Robertson of Vancouver.

## Yakima Packers Add Pitcher To Roster

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)—The Yakima Packers of the Western International Baseball League added Bob Drilling, a young right hander, to their pitching staff today.

Club president Rick Richards said Drilling had a good record with Salt Lake City of the Pioneer League and is being sent to the Packers by San Francisco of the Coast League.

TIDES

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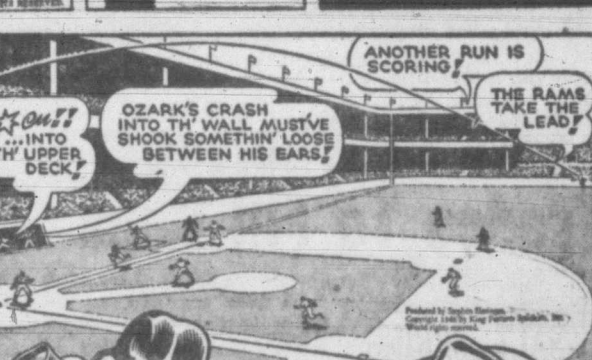
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**My Babu Favorite For English Classic**  
LONDON (AP)—The Maharaja of Baroda's My Babu was made a 2 to 1 favorite today in the Two Thousand Guineas, England's richest horse race, Wednesday.  
The Cobler, an entry of Lt.-Col. Giles Loder, is second choice at 7 to 2.  
A score of the best thoroughbreds from England and France will compete in the race, one of two highlighting the four-day meeting on Newmarket Heath.  
The One Thousand Guineas for fillies will be run Friday.



## Expert Will Want Proof Forecasts On 'Canada's Finest Climate' Are Wrong

Are Victorians, who enjoy the best climate in Canada, complaining about the shortcomings of the science of meteorology, or are they just dissatisfied with the weather forecasts made by the Vancouver meteorological office?

This is the question for which an answer will be sought by W. Gilmore Clarke, acting superintendent of public weather for the Dominion Meteorological Service, Toronto, who arrived in Victoria today.

### 'RIGHT-ON THE NOSE'

If complainants were seeking to create an impression today, they were off to a bad start. The Vancouver office weather forecast had hit it "right-on-the-nose." They promised, for Victoria, a cloudy forenoon, with skies becoming clearer by the afternoon. At 12:30 this afternoon, as Mr. Clarke stood in the Gonzales Heights Meteorological Observatory, the sun shone brightly down over a bright shoreline and flashing waters of the Juan de Fuca Strait.

"Victoria has a unique climate, so far as I'm concerned, one of the best in Canada, and any meteorologist will agree with me," said Mr. Clarke.

In his visit here, he proposes to take the scientific approach to the weather question. He will not disbelieve Victorians who complain that the forecasts have it all wrong, but he will want proof of the fact.

### BELIEVED FORECASTS

From examining weather forecast figures in Toronto, where his headquarters are, Mr. Clarke has found that the first impression is that the forecasts for Victoria are as good as the science of meteorology can offer at present. However, he is out here to see if a study of conditions here will give a different impression. Mr. Clarke admits there is no

disputing the fact that the climate is different on the lower 25 miles of Vancouver Island than it is in the rest of the area. He pointed out that all the figures available support that belief. The average rainfall for Victoria, over a 45-year period, has been 27 inches a year, in comparison with 57 inches, or more than twice the rainfall, suffered in Vancouver, whose average was taken over a 41-year period.

"The climatological figures can sell the climate of Victoria unassisted and regardless of day-to-day weather," said Mr. Clarke, with an eye to this city's tourist industry.

## To Relax Customs Regulations On Canadian Yachts

Canadian yachts visiting United States will soon be granted the same reciprocal privileges as motor cars, D. C. Knapp of Seattle, told the Pacific Northwest Trade Association, which wound up its two-day conference at the Empress Hotel today.

Word had been received that yachts over five tons would be granted reciprocal privileges within a week or two, he said. Customs regulations on vessels weighing less than five tons were relaxed a few weeks ago.

Members endorsed a resolution urging the U.S. government to take over Rainier National Park. The park could no longer be operated on a profitable basis by private enterprise, the resolution read.

Delegates elected J. P. Kelly of Seattle as their new president. J. V. Johnson of Victoria was elected vice-president.

Regional vice-presidents elected were: B. Frank Heintzleman, Alaska; Ralph D. Baker, Vancouver; western Canada; H. M. Atkinson, Touchet, Wash.; inland Empire; L. E. Titus, Tacoma, Puget Sound area; Paul B. McKee, Portland, lower Columbia; treasurer, Arthur Waterman, Seattle; associate secretary, George I. Warren, Victoria, and executive secretary, D. C. Knapp, Seattle.

## 36 Days In Jail For Assault, Wilful Damage

Hugh Davidson, young Esquimalt man, was sentenced to a possible 36 days in jail by Magistrate H. C. Hall at a special session of the municipal police court this morning. Accused pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting a woman, occasioning her actual bodily harm, and also for doing wilful damage by kicking in a window on property owned by Wartime Housing Ltd.

On the assault charge he was sentenced to 30 days, five days for doing wilful damage and another day if he did not pay the \$150 costs to repair the window, the sentences not concurrent.

Malcolm Graham was sentenced to 30 days in jail by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today when he appeared for sentence on a charge of theft of a 24-inch wrench recently. He pleaded guilty to the charge yesterday.

The gave the assurance that he is in Victoria with a completely open mind. "I came out here to see why the people of Victoria are not satisfied with the Vancouver service." A head office survey showed that the service Victoria is getting from Vancouver is as good, or better than, any other Canadian centre is getting.

With two weeks' study ahead of him, Mr. Clarke is determined to find out just why Victorians are not satisfied with the forecasts and from the interview with him, it is to be believed that he will not be prejudiced either by complaints or by facts and figures studied in Toronto.

## Coast Guard Service For B.C. Advocated

The campaign in the B.C. Legislature during the current session for the establishment of a coast guard service will be brought to a head by a motion of W. H. Brett, C.C.F., Prince Rupert, urging the federal government to establish the service. The motion calls on the Legislature to request the federal government to:

1. Establish a Pacific coast guard service with personnel, radio communications, life-saving craft and equipment and aircraft so stationed at points on the coast-line as to extend the utmost protection to lives in peril through marine disasters in coastal waters;

2. Enforce regulations requiring the installation of radio-telephone and (or) radio telegraph equipment, with adequate provision for manning and maintenance while at sea, on all passenger vessels under Canadian jurisdiction plying the coastal waters of B.C. in such manner that distress signals and navigational warnings may be transmitted and received immediately and clearly at any time.

3. Improve the transmission and reception of shore radio stations and automatic radio beacons in order that vessels at any point in waters off the B.C. coast may, with reliability, exchange weather signals, navigation directions, and emergency calls, and that, through designated radio frequencies, common to all, prompt co-ordination of action between all aircraft and seacraft in the vicinity may be secured for rescue work.

The resolution points out that commercial fishing operations now extend seawards at distances and under conditions which expose fishermen to greater hazards than formerly.

## H.B.C. London Board To Entertain B.C. Trade Delegation

On Wednesday the London Board of the Hudson's Bay Company will entertain at luncheon the 25 members of the British Columbia trade delegation and the two London representatives of the province.

Other guests will be Rt. Hon. Harold Wilson, president of the Board of Trade; the Lord Mayor of London; Hon. Norman Robertson, High Commissioner for Canada; Lord MacGowan, British industrialist; Mr. Goldsby of the Export Promotion Division of the Board of Trade, and Millars Tucker, M.C.

Victoria members of the delegation include R. Logan Mayhew, vice-president of Sidney Roofing and Paper Co. Ltd.; J. Carl Pendray, president British American Paint Co.; Henry Street, general merchandise manager of David Spencer Ltd.; Walter J. Fletcher, president of Fletcher Bros. Music Store; H. Plimley, of Thomas Plimley Ltd.; E. G. Rowbottom, Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, and William Pinfold, formerly of Victoria, who will represent Nelson Laundries Ltd., Vancouver, and the B.C. Laundries' and Dry Cleaners' Association.

Alaska Vital For Defence Of North America

Alaska was the Achilles heel of the North American continent, Maj. Gen. F. F. Worthington, C.B., M.C., M.M., told delegates attending the 49th general conference Pacific Northwest Trade Association meeting at the Empress Hotel Monday.

"Whoever holds Alaska holds a pistol at the head of the continent," said Gen. Worthington in stressing the need of an adequate defence policy for Canada's North West Territories.

The speaker said in the event of a major conflict it was impossible for Canada to remain neutral.

The need for an additional road

## Many Tourists View Victoria Gardens



Shown in the picturesque garden of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Drury's Island Road home "Sedun," one of 34 gardens to be visited during the annual Spring Garden Festival, Monday, left to right: Mrs. Ross S. Wilson, North End Flower Club, Seattle; Mrs. A. J. Meyers, West Seattle Garden Club; Mrs. George Guy, Seattle Chrysanthemum Club; Mrs. Arthur Garrine, Magnolia Garden Club, Seattle, and Mrs. Ralph Nelson, Winlock, Washington, Garden Club.



Left to right: Mrs. R. H. Ludbrook of the Victoria Horticultural Society, who is conducting the garden tour; Mrs. G. O. Segrest of Mobile, Alabama; Mrs. Ralph Nelson, Mrs. Arthur Garrine and Mrs. A. J. Meyers.

Victoria gardens won high praise from garden enthusiasts of Washington, Oregon and eastern Canada Monday, opening day of the city's annual Spring Garden Festival, held under auspices of the Victoria Horticultural Society.

"You make much more use of your natural setting here than we do," commented Mr. Arthur Carmine of Magnolia Garden Club, Seattle, as she surveyed the garden amid rocks on the property of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Drury, 524 Island Road.

"Our gardens are inclined to be more formal," added Mrs. Carmine, whose husband, a chrysanthemum grower of note, has taken prizes at the Vancouver show.

Mrs. George Guy of the Seattle Chrysanthemum Club said the visits to Victoria gardens inspired her to go back and do better with her own. The Seattle group have been coming to the Garden Festival for years, although the last show held until the end of the war was in 1940. They spoke highly of the hospitality and friendliness of the Victoria garden groups.

E. R. Hall, assistant superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Station at Sannichton gave a talk at the Empress Hotel Monday night on the propagating and grafting of shrubs. Tonight at 7:30 a get-together dinner will be held at the Empress Hotel.

In charge of arrangements for the festival is E. M. Whyte of the Horticultural Society.

into Alaska was stressed by the speaker who expressed the opinion that such a route should be built on the west side of British Columbia.

Gen. Worthington said such a road should be built through territory which could be developed and capable of self-supporting a population.

Edward W. Allen, United States member of the International Fisheries Commission, made a report on the recent U.N. food and agriculture organization's conference on fisheries at Baguio.

Delegates also heard at the meeting Jack Underhill, director of the industrial department, B.C. Electric Co., speak on industrial development in British Columbia.

A. R. MacDougall, K.C., M.L.A.



"Dainhurst," the stately seafront home of E. D. Todd, provides the setting for the above picture. Left to right: Mrs. H. M. Tobin of Sidney, Mrs. Ben Maxwell of the Salem, Oregon, Garden Club; Mrs. Earl Andersen of Salem, Oregon, and in the background, Mrs. W. L. Norris of Belleville, Ont.

was guest speaker at a banquet held in the evening.

## Overnight Frost Surprises Citizens

Victorians awoke this morning to find a winter-like covering of frost over the ground outside their windows.

At the Dominion Meteorological Observatory at Gonzales Heights, low temperature on the grass overnight was 31 degrees, or one degree of frost, William Burton, meteorologist, reported.

"It would likely be several degrees colder," Mr. Burton noted, "in the low, outlying areas of the city."

No extensive damage to gar-

dens was reported although complaints were heard from some persons to the effect that their early potatoes had been "nipped."

E. W. White, district horticulturist for the B.C. Department of Agriculture, said it would be difficult to decide on frost damage immediately. It would take a day or two before cherry and plum blossoms would show whether or not they had been affected.

Some gardeners expressed the opinion the overnight frost had been too light to do any harm. The official weather forecast from Vancouver gives no hint as to whether or not frost will come again tonight. The forecast merely states there will be little change in temperature.

## Court Frowns On Man Who Refuses To Provide For His 12 Children

When a man in city police court today told the court he was not concerned as to how his 12 children existed, Magistrate H. C. Hall gave him time to change his mind on the matter or take the consequences.

The man, a Canadian-born Russian with a strong accent, was charged under the Deserted Wives Maintenance Act for failure to provide for his family.

Accused earlier told the court he had no money. He had had several booms of logs in the New Westminster logging area which had been seized by the government for royalties under regulations covering same. He was bitter about this turn of events.

Accused said he was in receipt of \$30 a month pension for service in two wars. When C. L. Harrison, city prosecutor, asked him if he gave his wife any of this, the reply was an emphatic "no."

When the man said there would be no financial help from him for the family, Magistrate Hall said: "It is unfortunate there are men like you who leave it to their fellow citizens to pay for your children."

The magistrate hinted to the accused punishment would be the alternative if he did not change his mind before June 28. "I hope you make some effort in the meantime," said Magistrate Hall.

## U.S. Woman Seeks Father, Uncle Here

Mrs. Sheila-Trenchard-Fowler, 2631 Kentucky, Bakersfield, Cal., has written the city police asking for co-operation to find two brothers, Richard and Harold Trenchard, the latter her father. She has never seen her father, but he was last reported to be in Seattle. He has a sister who is also supposed to be in Victoria. Her mother was Hazel Morison Trenchard, who died when she was two years old. Anyone who has information about any of the three people is asked to communicate with the city detective office.

## Urges Democracies To Wipe Out Debt Against Japan

Rehabilitation of Japanese industries and economic aid to Japan was urged by Brig. Sherwood Lett, K.C., of Vancouver, who talked on the prospects for trade with Japan at the 19th general conference of the Pacific Northwest Trade Association at the Empress Hotel today.

A stable economy in Japan would be beneficial to both Canada and the United States, Brig. Lett said.

He stated this could be done by wiping out the Japanese reparation and occupational debt and by helping Japan re-establish its trade with eastern Asia. If Japanese trading relations could be resumed Canada and the United States could sell to Japan raw materials, food, machinery and manufactured products, he said.

"Frankly, I don't think Japan will ever be able to pay her debts," said the speaker. "She has too many people to feed."

He warned that if Japan was not aided by Western democracies Russia might take over the country.

In his address, the speaker traced the history of the economic development of Japan. He pointed out that five families controlled all major industries in Japan.

The power of these five families, he believed, had been broken. The country had also been completely demilitarized by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, he said.

## Favors Military, Economic Aid To European Nations

Military aid for the rearmament of European and Asiatic countries opposed to Russia, was suggested by Leo T. Crowley, president of the Milwaukee Railroad, who addressed today a joint luncheon of the Kiwanis Club and Pacific Northwest Trade Association.

Mr. Crowley, who was in charge of Lend Lease during the war in the United States, said he was in favor of any protective measures to stop the spread of Communism.

"We must not leave Russia in doubt as to our program for stopping the expansion of Communism in all countries, including China and the Far East," said the speaker.

He called for a stable United States foreign policy to convince Russia that "we have ended the compromising of our principles." He added that the lack of decision on the part of the United States enabled Russia to expand her sphere of influence to neighboring nations.

Speaking of the European loan under the Marshall Plan and the large appropriations for military preparedness in the United States, the speaker expressed the hope the U.S. government would establish economic controls to prevent inflation.

"Economic controls will be necessary if we are not to permit this huge expenditure to cause an inflation that could seriously impair our own economy at home," said the speaker.

He warned that any destruction of substantial impairment of the United States economy would be conducive to the further spread of Communism in other countries, including the United States.

Patients at the Royal Jubilee Pavilion were entertained by the "Sons of Norway" Monday evening. A. Gilstein was M.C. and the artists were: F. Kostiuk, H. Stenseth, J. Barnes, N. Jacobsen, B. Solheim, Mrs. B. Solheim, H. Jacobsen, Reg. Stoler, A. Westland, D. Duke, D. Goodman, A. Linnas, J. Linnas, M. Gilstein, A. Watson, A. Stenseth, F. Larsen, P. Thomson, N. Lovrod, D. Brenden.

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